

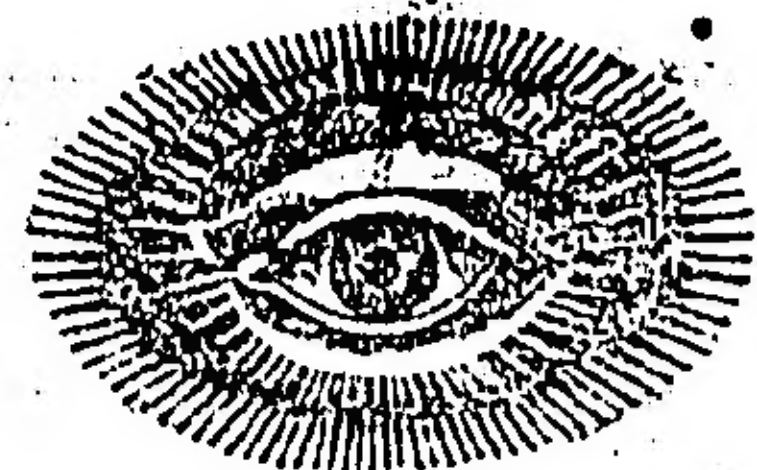
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FRESH ATTACK AGAINST NORTH.

General Chiang's New Advance Into Shantung

ACTION TO BE TAKEN AGAINST HANKOW.

Tang Seng-chi Said to Be Dismissing Pickets.

JAPAN'S REPORTED BARGAIN FOR CALLING OFF BOYCOTT.

Nanking Press Bureau Denounces Moscow's Intrigues in China.

General Chiang Kai-shek has resumed his attack against the North, and has met with a measure of success. Besides capturing Lincheng, he has established his front well into Shantung.

According to reports in the Shanghai Press General Chiang Kai-shek intends to move against Hankow because his ultimatum to disperse the Unions and dismiss the Russian advisers was ignored.

A message to a Hong Kong vernacular paper, however, states that the Hankow leader, General Tang Seng-chi, has dismissed the pickets and raided the chief Union.

With the return of the Japanese Consul to Nanking reports have begun to circulate that Japan has made a bargain with Nanking not to impede the advance against the North if the boycott is stifled.

The Nanking Government's Press Bureau has issued a statement denouncing Moscow and predicting that all attempts to Bolshevik China will end in certain failure.

CHIANG'S ADVANCE.

Northerners Destroying The
Railway.

Shanghai, June 30.
Reports reaching here show that the Nanking advance to Peking is again under way. They have captured Lincheng, on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, twenty miles north of the Grand Canal, and are establishing their front well into Shantung from the railway to the sea. Military despatches state that the advance is hampered by the fact that the retreating Northerners are destroying the railway. Both sides are believed to have suffered heavy casualties.—Reuter.

Artillery in Action.

Shanghai, June 29.
General Chiang Kai-shek's army has set out from Lam Shing to attack Tang Yuan, and it is reported that already three divisions of troops under General Ma Yu-yen, of the Shantung party, have surrendered to Chiang.

There was a severe engagement between Chiang's forces and the Shantung armies at Chai Ning. Chiang is now using heavy artillery at the south of the Canal to attack the southern gate of the city.

A Shorter Line.

Chang 'Chung-chang has formulated a scheme whereby the fighting line is to be shortened, and proposes taking over the south-western area himself, leaving the south-eastern portion to General Sun Chuan-fang and the area in the rear to General Sun Yu-pak.

It is reliably reported that Tang Seng-chi arrived at Changsha on June 25.

Chang Tso-lin's Views.

Peking, June 29.
According to vernacular reports, the heart of Marshal Chang Tso-lin is softening, in that he has telegraphed to Chang Chung-chang regarding plans for making peace with the Southerners.—"Hong Kong Evening Post."

Shansi Tuchen's Move.

Shanghai, June 30.
General Yen Shi-shan, the Tuchen of Shansi, has sent his whole army to attack Peking.—"Hong Kong Evening Post."

HANKOW'S SILENCE.

Chiang's Three Demands Not Accepted.

Shanghai, June 29.
The silence of Hankow in regard to the ultimatum issued in the joint names of Chiang Kai-shek and Feng Yu-hsiang is being interpreted by the latter as indicating non-acceptance of the demands for the disbandment of all Labour Unions and Communist propaganda organizations, the dismissal of Tan Yen-kai, Tang Seng-chi, Wang Ching-wei, Sun Fo and twenty named Soviet advisers, including Borodin.

In the absence of any reply, Chiang Kai-shek is reported in the

Shanghai Press to be making preparations for moving against Hankow.—British Naval Wireless.

Tang's Real Mind?

According to Hankow messages relayed from Shanghai, General Tang Seng-chi, one of the Hankow leaders, dismissed all the pickets of the Communist party on June 25 and raided the principal Red unions, namely the Peasants Union and the Female Workers' Union.—"Hong Kong Evening Post."

[Tang Seng-chi was one of the Hankow leaders mentioned in the ultimatum by Chiang Kai-shek and Feng Yu-hsiang. This

OUR \$50 PRIZE.

Cross-Word Puzzle Competition
Result.

The result of the "China Mail's" eighth \$50 Cross-Word Puzzle (Second Series) will be found on page 6 of this issue. The prize this week falls to one competitor with a wholly correct solution.

ultimatum declared that the persons mentioned must take a "holiday" in Russia or Europe. It also required the dismissal of the Russians, the closing of the unions and the disbanding of propaganda bodies.]

Feng's Troops to Attack.

Shanghai, June 30.
Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang is sending his army against Hankow.—"Hong Kong Evening Post."

A BARGAIN STRUCK?

Japan's Understanding With Nanking.

Shanghai, June 29.
The Japanese Consul, who has been absent from Nanking since the Nanking incident has now returned, giving rise to reports that Japan has come to an

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STOP PRESS.

RUSSIAN SUBJECTS LEAVING HANKOW.

BORODIN GOING TO-NIGHT.

Hankow, June 29.
The disarming of pickets has been carried out, also the dissolution of a certain number of unions. Soviet nationals except those who are members of the Consulate staff are leaving Hankow within 24 hours. Comrade Borodin, the Russian adviser, is expected to depart from Hankow to-night. Movements of troop on a large

ANOTHER TRIUMPH.

Airman Safely Reaches Hawaii.

LATEST ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

New York, June 29.
Lieutenant Maitland's aeroplane has landed at Honolulu.—Reuter's American Service.

Plushing Welcome.
Wheelerfield, Dahu, Hawaii, Islands, June 29.

Honolulu and the army have 25 miles distant were ablaze with light and alive with excitement in the morning in anticipation of Lieutenant Maitland's arrival at six o'clock in the morning. Seventeen hundred soldiers were detailed to control the clamorous enthusiastic crowd who watched all night long.

Flood lights were placed on top of the hangars to guide the airmen and illuminate the ground for a safe landing, while searchlights visible for twenty miles continuously swept the sky.—Reuter's American Service.

Time of the Flight.

Wheelerfield, June 29.
The time of the trans-Pacific flight was 25 hours and 48 minutes.—Reuter's American Service.

Earlier News.

Oakland, Cal., June 29.
Radio messages from several ships show that Lieutenant Maitland covered over half the distance



DEUT. COMM. R. E. BYRD

between the United States and Hawaii by ten o'clock on the evening of the 28th, Pacific standard time.—Reuter's American Service.

Civilian Flight Postponed.

Oakland, June 29.
Hurried attempts have been made to make and replace the wind-screen of Smith's plane, but in view of the fact that the Army machine has got a considerable start, backers of the civilian flight to Hawaii have announced indefinite postponement. Smith is most disappointed.—Reuter's American Service.

ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

Commander Byrd's Interesting Cargo.

New York, June 29.
The weather on the Atlantic is favourable for the flight of Commander Byrd who is backed by Mr. Rodman Wanmaker.

Commander Byrd's aeroplane is inscribed with the word peace, on an olive leaf and "U.S. Air Mail" in small letters, and the name America in huge red, white and blue letters.

Commander Byrd carries two small silk American flags, a copy of the smallest Bible in the world for presentation to President Du-mouge, one flag made from pieces of the original American flag made by Betsey Ross in 1777 and another flag which Commander Byrd carried over the North Pole in 1926.—Reuter's American Service.

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"BOATS BURNT."

China Navigation Strike Comment.

MINORITY REMAIN LOYAL.

"Generally speaking, the strike is an although there may be several instances of individual men refraining," remarked an official of the China Navigation Company this morning in reply to a "China Mail" representative's query. "The company has no statement to make regarding the intentions of the officers, the official said that obviously the present state of affairs could not be allowed to continue indefinitely. 'They have burnt their boats,' he added, referring (metaphorically, of course) to the officers who had gone on strike. As to the Company's intentions regarding the future of the present deadlock continued, he could at this stage say nothing. Asked if the officers had actually left the ships in cases where they were in port, the official in question said that they were remaining on board but would not sail the ships. In reply to a query as to whether there was any one ship where enough of the men had remained ready for duty to enable the ship to be maintained on the run, the "China Mail" informant said that he could give no information at the present time.

An official of the Marine Engineer's Guild of China expressed satisfaction at the response that had been made by the officers. No China Navigation Company vessels "would proceed to sea until a settlement of the dispute," he stated. Cargo would be discharged at the respective ports on arrival.

B. & S. Ship To Rescue.

From information received by naval wireless, it appears that one of the China Navigation Company vessels—the "Kiangsu"—which was on passage from Singapore to Manila and which, presumably, will be up on arrival at the latter port, deviated her course in order to go to the assistance of the French steamer "Figuig" which had foundered on the reefs in the China sea between Cochin China and N.W. Borneo.

Inquiries among individual members of the China Navigation Company who are on reserve or whose ships are at present in Hong Kong elicited the information that the

A CITY'S LUNGS.

Scheme To Save London's
Garden Squares.

Rugby, June 29.
A Royal Commission is to be set up to inquire into the question of the preservation of London garden squares, some of which have in recent years been sold for building purposes.—British Wireless Service.

strike commenced according to schedule last night.

From the Harbour Office returns the "China Mail" ascertains that no C.N.C. ship has left Hong Kong since 3 p.m. yesterday, when the s.s. "Pung Chow" cleared for Shanghai. This vessel had been laid up a considerable while on account of the repairs necessitated by the fire which occurred aboard when she was at Taku, at the mouth of the Haihe River, near Tientsin. The only other C.N.C. vessel to leave here yesterday was the "Chin-hud," which departed at noon for Bangkok.

China Navigation vessels in harbour include the "Ichang" and "Sochow" (at Taikoo Dock), the "Chang Chow," "Szechuen," "Ying Chow," "Tsun" and "Anhui."

Surprise Start.

New York, June 29.
Commander Byrd after considerable delay owing to weather conditions has started on his trans-Atlantic flight in the three engined Fokker monoplane "America"—Reuter's American Service.

Departure a Surprise.

New York, June 29.
The "America" started at 5.24. Commander Byrd is accompanied by the pilot Bert Acosta and a crew of two and carries 1,300 gallons of petrol.

Commander Byrd's sudden decision to start after many postponements surprised his crew and the spectators of whom there were only a dozen as compared with hundreds on the previous nights.—Reuter's American Service.

Proposed New Airship.

Washington, June 29.
The primary duty of the proposed new airship will be to operate with the fleet in contrast to the Los Angeles which, according to the Versailles treaty, cannot be used for military purposes. The new dirigible, cruising range at 60 knots will be 12,500 miles, but if she is inflated with hydrogen instead of helium, it will be 17,000.—Reuter's American Service.

HEIRESS WEDS.

Sudden Marriage Stirs Society.

ALLEGED ROYAL SUITORS.

New York, June 29.

The whole of Washington and New York Society is agog over the sudden dramatic marriage of Miss Grace Vanderbilt whose honey-moon to British Columbia is being awaited with the couple await the forgiveness of the bride's parents. The bride is represented in the Press as having married a hundred per cent. American of a rich and "old" family in preference to a



MISS GRACE VANDERBILT

Englishman whom it is alleged her parents wished to force her to wed.

The Englishman's name is not stated but a long list of alleged aspirants to her hand given in the Press includes several British peers and even royal perches.—Reuter's American Service.

[An earlier cable stated: Miss Grace Vanderbilt, the daughter of General Cornelius Vanderbilt, the capitalist, was married to-day to Henry Cassaway Davis, mining engineer and grandson of Mr. Henry Cassaway of West Virginia and Democratic candidate for the Vice-Presidency of the United States in 1904.]

The founder of the famous Vanderbilt family was Cornelius Vanderbilt (1794-1877), an American merchant and railway speculator who accumulated a fortune of twenty million sterling. His son, William Henry Vanderbilt (1821-1885), inherited the bulk of the wealth of the elder railway king's wealth, and added thereto by operations in the same direction.

FURTHER RESPITE.

SACCO AND VANZETTI ONCE MORE.

Boston, June 29.

The Governor has granted a 30-day respite to Sacco and Vanzetti

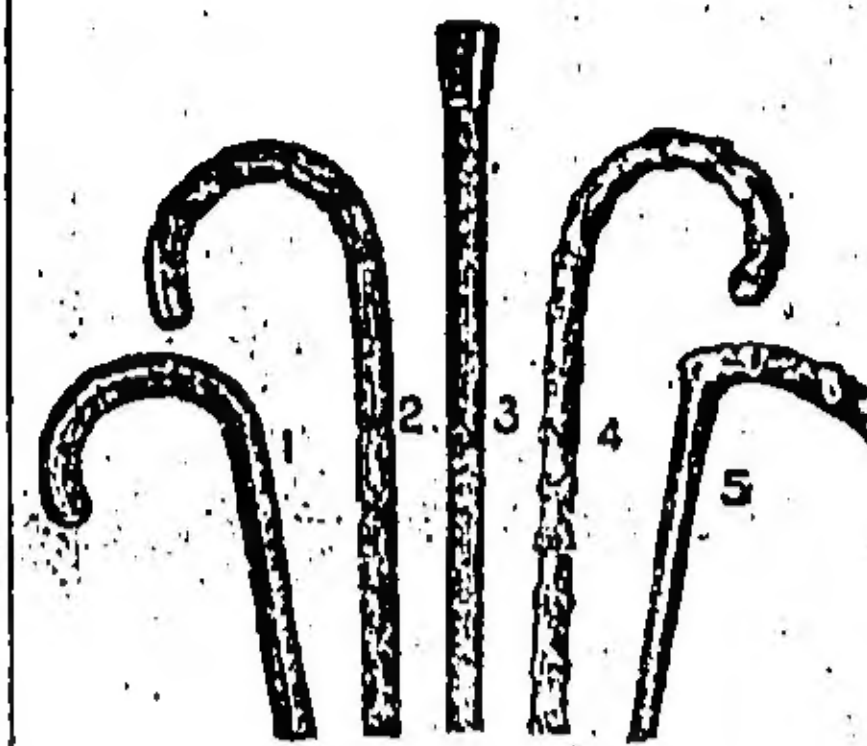


Vanzetti, one of the two men under sentence of death.

from the death sentence, the execution of which was originally fixed for July 10.—Reuter's American Service.

Another Case.

Later.
A similar respite has been granted to Celestino Madeiros who was sentenced to death for another murder. Madeiros asserted that he was a member of the gang which committed the murder for which Sacco and Vanzetti were convicted, and that they were not implicated.—Reuter's American Service.



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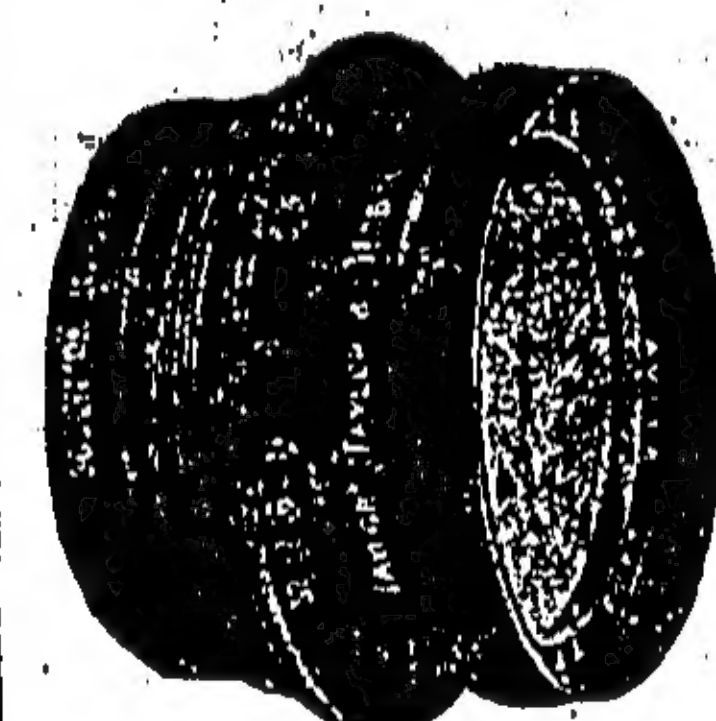
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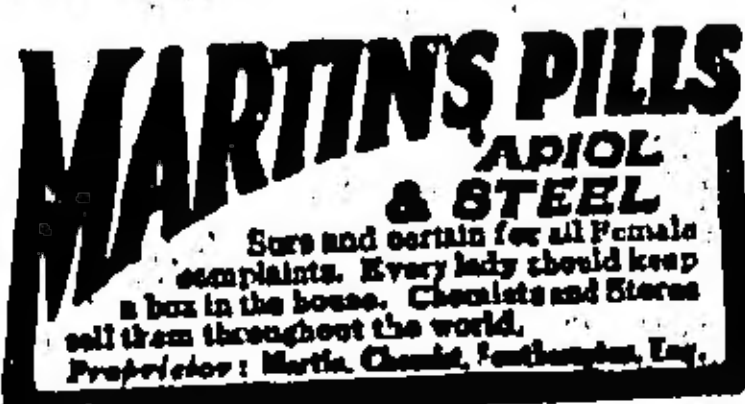
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Hong Kong, 30th June, 1927.

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Hong Kong, 28th June, 1927.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

ON MONDAY, 27th June, 1927, the Offices of BRITISH-AMERICAN TOBACCO CO. (CHINA) LTD. will be Removed to Sixth Floor, P. & O. Building, Connaught Road, Central.
Hong Kong, 23rd June, 1927.

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THE FORTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 25th July, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th July to 8th August, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 24th June, 1927.

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"That the Hong Kong and Kowloon Taxicab Company, Limited, be wound up voluntarily, and that Mr. H. R. CLELAND, C.A., of Messrs. Lowe Bingham & Matthews be, and is hereby appointed liquidator for the purpose of such winding up."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that should the foregoing Resolution be passed by the requisite majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution at a further Extraordinary Meeting, and such Meeting will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 20th day of July, 1927, at the same time and place for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, confirming such Resolution as a Special Resolution accordingly.

By Order of the Board,
SUM PAK-MING,
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Hong Kong, 27th June, 1927.

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THE VOLUNTEERS.**ORDERS FOR THE WEEK.**

The following orders have been issued by Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., Administrative Commandant of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Recruits Parades.

Reference Corps Order No. 1 of last week all recruits who have not passed Musketry Tests Nos. 1 to 4 will parade for Musketry Instruction at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday. Dress: mufli.

Kirkpatrick Cup.

A short lecture will be given by the G.S.O. 2 on the solutions submitted by syndicates taking part in the above reconnaissance.

The lecture will take place in the Volunteer Drill Hall at 6 p.m. on Monday, July 4.

All Volunteers are invited to attend this lecture. It should prove of particular interest to any one interested in the defence of the Island of Hong Kong.

Engineer Co.

Spoon shoot under handicap on Miniature Range at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 13.

Miniature Range also allotted on July 27.

Mounted Infantry.

All ranks will parade at Stables on Thursday, July 7, at 5.30 p.m. Dress: mufli.

In future members will only ride their won ponies on parades.

HENRY VIII'S WINE.**AROMA STILL HAUNTS PALACE CELLAR.**

King Henry VIII's "Newe Wyne Seller" beneath the Great Watching Tower at Hampton Court Palace attracted many visitors in mail week. The cellar was excavated during last winter.

People streamed through the door in the cloisters into the cool cellar, which bluff King Hal kept stocked with wine, "having new barrels brought in every day and empties taken away."

They walked between the benches on which used to stand the wine, and saw near the various pillars which support the groined roof pieces of worm-eaten wood—the remains of the stillages upon which the barrels actually rested.

In one corner, is a door and some steps leading to the "Drunkynge Howse," and in another is a door leading to King Henry's "Newe Bere Seller."

These two places will be cleared and opened to the public later.

One can still scent the wine which filled this cool cellar 300 years ago.

AT THE STAR.**"EAST LYNNE" TO-DAY TO SATURDAY.**

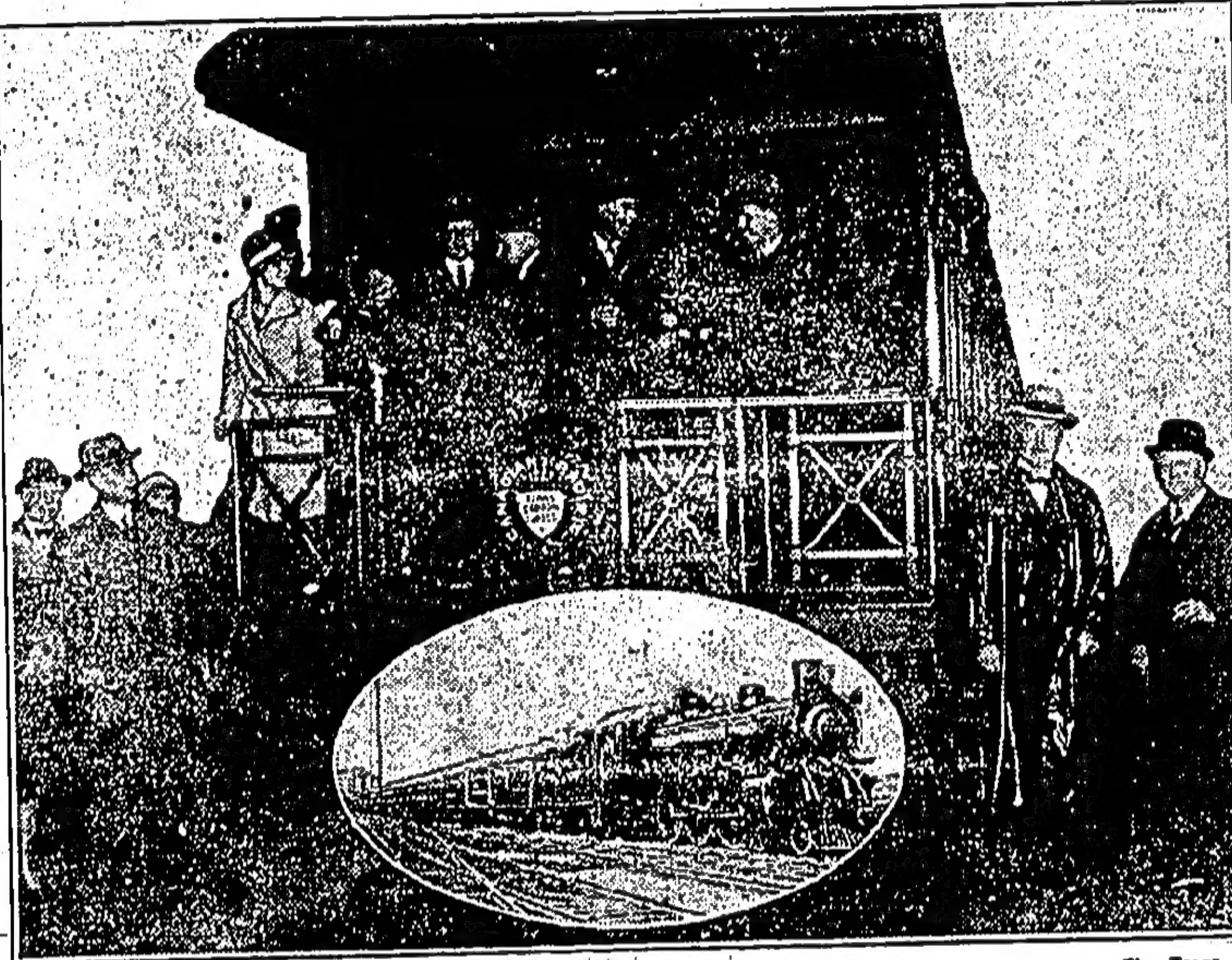
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Armoured Car Co.

Owing to the lecture being held at Headquarters on Monday, July 4, the Company will parade at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, July 7, for machine gun instruction. Dress: mufli.

The Motor Cyclist Section will carry out a tactical ride in the New Territories on Sunday, July 3, 1927. Parade at 10 a.m. outside Kowloon railway station.

A three hours halt will be made at Castle Peak for tiffin and bathing.

The Section will leave Castle Peak at 4.30 p.m. Dress: tunics, shorts, putties and belts.

Infantry Company.
On Fridays, July 8 and 15, at 5.30 p.m. All N.C.O.'s and other ranks as detailed by O.C. Company will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for a special N.C.O.'s Course of Training in Vickers gun.

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Musketry: The Peak Range is allotted to the Company on Sunday, July 10.

Rifles And Bayonets.
Those members of the Corps now in possession of rifles and bayonets must return them to Volunteer Store immediately for inspection by the armourer.

Correction.
Reference Corps Order No. 287 dated June 24, 1927, should read No. 282 dated June 24, 1927.

Reversion.
No. 517 Sergt. C. L. Edwards, Armoured Car Company, is permitted to revert to the ranks at his own request, as from June 28, 1927.

Leave.
No. 877 Lce.-Corpl. F. N. Doodha, Armoured Car Company, is granted ten months' extension of leave, as from June 11, 1927, to April 10, 1928.

Resignations.
The following are permitted to retire from the Corps:—
No. 922 Pte. C. G. Anderson, Armoured Car Company, as from June 28, 1927.

No. 176 Pte. M. Manuk, Reserve Company, as from June 30, 1927.

NOTICE.
No. 2 Platoon Rifle Club will hold their fourth meeting at Peak Range on Sunday, July 2, at 9 a.m.

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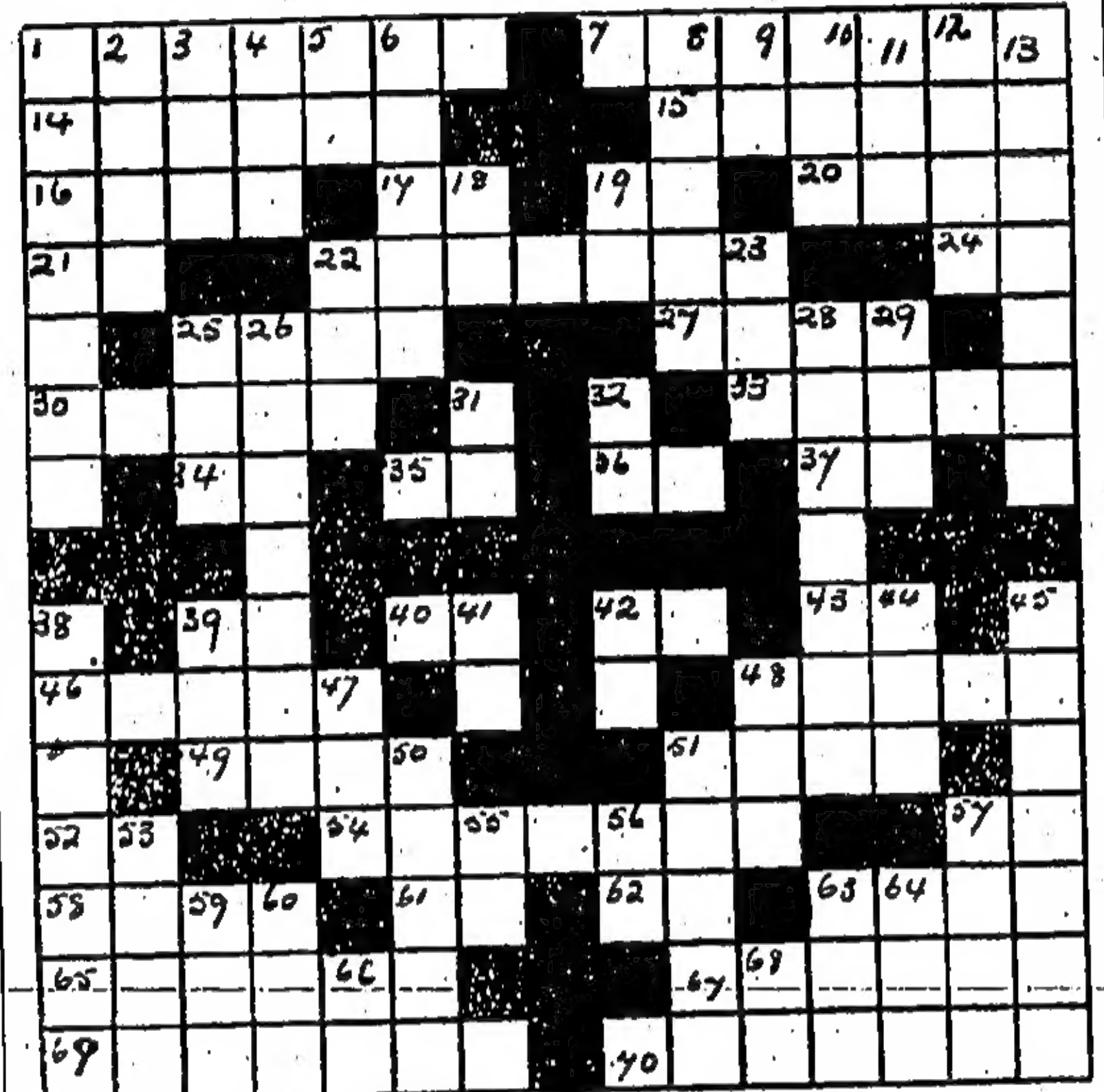
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Across.

1. To gather.
7. An injection.
14. Chamberlain.
15. Not easily.
16. To pull.
17. Aloft.
19. Alternative.
20. A novitiate (jumbled).
21. United States (abb.).
22. A pan for holding coals.
23. M. M. (Actual).
25. Once more.
27. Chief magistrate in Venice and Genoa.
30. The brother of one's mother or father.
33. A jewel.
34. T. I. (Actual).
35. Exist.
36. Compass point.
37. Near.
38. New Territories (abb.).
40. Same as 37 across.
42. Word of denial.
43. Upon.
46. Hall or snow mingled with rain.
48. To support.
49. Property.
51. A prophet.
52. Same as 17 across.
54. A tuft.
57. The eleventh month of the Jewish civil year and the fifth of the ecclesiastical year.
58. To dispirit or deaden.
61. A word uttered to frighten children.
62. Musical note.
63. To lend (jumbled).
65. Outbreak.
67. To place.
69. Stabs.
70. Concurs.

Down.

1. Fit to be felled.
2. Pertaining or belonging to us.
3. L. N. A. (Actual).
4. To haul.
5. London Postal District. (abb.).
6. To shake with violence.
8. Enticed.
9. Y. N. (Actual).
10. Fixed.
11. To stimulate.
12. Root.
13. A rhombhedron.
15. Father.
16. O. I. (Actual).
18. Insect.
23. The inspissated juice of ripe fruit.
25. Do.
28. Luster.
29. Humped.
31. Compass point.
32. Bone.
33. Taken for granted.
39. Something small and pointed.
41. You.
42. N. B. (Actual).
44. N. C. R. (Actual).
45. Fixes.
47. Cloth made from the fibre of the Corchorus olitorius.
48. In addition.
50. A knot.
57. Scandinavian poet.
58. The second largest American tiger.
59. Provided that.
60. From.
61. Prefix signifying before.
62. A unit.
63. A pile of rods or twigs.
64. A unit.
66. Paddle.
68. T. E. (Actual).
69. Exclamation.

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A NEW ACT.

Considerable interest has been aroused in shipping circles in Great Britain by the passing in America of the Longshoremen's and Harbour Workers' Compensation Act, which received the approval of Congress on March 4. Part of the Act, which comprises fifty-two sections, became effective on that date, and the remainder (covering sections 1 to 38) will come into operation on July 1. Up till now the position has been one of considerable confusion and uncertainty. It was held in the case of the International Stevedoring Company v. Haverty (United States Supreme Court, October, 1926) that the State Workmen's Compensation Acts did not apply to injuries to shore workers (commonly known as longshoremen) on board ship.

As a result claims were dealt with under common law, and the jury sometimes, it is stated, awarded "colossal" damages. The result of that decision, it is known, has been to increase the employers' liability insurance rates by at least 20 per cent., with a grave risk of much larger increases in the rates following upon the continued awarding of heavy damages, not only to the immediate but in some cases to a number of next-of-kin. It was with the view of overcoming this serious situation that new legislation was introduced.

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There is a proviso that in the case of death the total amount payable shall in no case exceed 66 2-3 per cent. of such wages.
Under Sec. 14 (m.) it is laid down that the total compensation payable under the Act for injury or death shall in no event exceed the sum of 7,500 dols.

English Law.

Under English law, it is interesting to note, the maximum compensation in the case of death is £600 where there is a surviving widow and children, and where there is a widow alone the compensation is limited to £300. For total incapacity, temporary or permanent, compensation is limited under English law to 50 per cent. of the average earning capacity, with a maximum of 30s. per week.

For partial incapacity, temporary or permanent, the payment of 50 per cent. is limited to the difference between the actual earning capacity of the injured persons and his average earnings at the time of the injury, not exceeding the limit of 30s. per week.

The scale of compensation under the new American Act is undoubtedly very heavy, and, probably, in this respect, therefore, the measure will be a source of disappointment to shipowners, but any scale, however high, will be welcomed as a substitute for the unlimited damage which might be incurred before the passing of the Act.

In fact, in view of the extraordinary situation which, as already indicated, has arisen in the United States in regard to compensation to ship workers, the Act should, it is considered, prove to be a very beneficial piece of legislation so far as steamship owners are concerned.

It should put an end to the activities of a certain class of American lawyer whose sole business seems to be made up of attempts—too often successful—to wring extortionate damages from employers, who had to choose between the evil of paying out of Court or placing themselves at the mercy of the jury.

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June 24 to 30, 1927.

Date	HIGH WATER		LOWER WATER	
	Standard Time	Ht.	Standard Time	Ht.
June 24	5 54	6.8	11 37	2.9
25	6 12	6.9	11 35	3.1
26	6 31	7.0	11 34	3.2
27	6 49	7.1	11 33	3.3
28	7 08	7.2	11 32	3.4
29	7 26	7.3	11 31	3.5
30	7 45	7.4	11 30	3.6

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EMPEROR OF ASIA	Sept. 14	Sept. 17	Sept. 20	Sept. 23	Oct. 2
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Oct. 5	Oct. 8	Oct. 11	Oct. 14	Oct. 23
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Oct. 26	Oct. 29	Nov. 1	Nov. 4	Nov. 13
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Nov. 16	Nov. 19	Nov. 22	Nov. 25	Dec. 4
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SANDAKAN	Departure	Thursday	"	30.5 a.m.
JAMBANGAN	Arrival	Friday	"	30.9 a.m.
JESSELTON	Departure	Friday	"	1 noon
KUDAT	Arrival	Saturday	"	2.3 a.m.
LAHAD DATU	Departure	Sunday	"	2.8 a.m.
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OIL ENGINES.

MECHANICAL INJECTION
DEVELOPMENTS.

At the meeting of the Diesel
Engine Users' Association which
was held on April 29, a paper by
Mr. Oswald Wans on "Further
Developments in Mechanical
Injection Oil Engines" was read and
discussed.

The author said that during the
last few years marked improve-
ments had been effected in both
two and four-cycle engines of
British design and manufacture.
The call for vertical engines has
resulted in the building of larger
units, and to-day four-cycle land
engines ranging up to 1,000
b.h.p. and two-cycle marine en-
gines up to 5,500 b.h.p. were avail-
able, and these did not represent
the possible power limit.

Some five years ago, when he
had read a paper before the
Diesel Engine Users' Association
on "Some Recent Developments in
Mechanical Injection Oil En-
gines," he had hazarded the
opinion that the system would be
more widely used. Not only had
this proved true, but there were
indications of its still more
extended application; this seem-
ed inevitable in view of the sim-
plicity, proved reliability and
efficiency of the system.

Higher Compression Pressures.
In reviewing the progress made
in the mechanical injection two-
cycle engine, the outstanding
feature was the adoption of high-
er compression pressures. In
fact, this departure was mainly
responsible for the advance that
had been made. Formerly
pressures 150 to 180 lbs.
per square inch were general
practice, and necessitated
the use of an unjacketed
hot bulb, but with the advent of
higher pressures this unsatisfac-
tory feature had been discarded.
Probably the first engine to
break away from general practice
was that built by Messrs. Plenty
and Son, Ltd., in 1920, in which
a compression pressure of 220 lbs.
per square inch was employed.

In the new Vickers-Petters en-
gine the compression pressure had
been carried higher, being about
320 lbs. per square inch. The
cylinder-head was completely
water-jacketed, the jacket over
the combustion chamber proper
being in the form of a large
separate detachable cover, which
could be completely removed in
order to clear out sediment from
the water space. A small pocket
was provided suitable for a start-
ing plug, either of the electric or
lamp-hooved type. Many im-
provements had been effected in
the general design, and a marked
reduction had been effected in the
consumption of lubricating oil,
which was generally high in two-
cycle engines of the crank-case
scavenger type.

Four-Stroke Engines.

The progress made with
four-cycle engines of the mechan-
ical injection type had been mar-
ked. Prior to 1921 mechanical in-
jection had been almost entirely
confined to horizontal engines, but
the requirements of central power
stations had since rendered this
type unsuitable, the demand being
for higher rotational speeds and
reduced floor space. On the other
hand, for certain classes of work
the greater accessibility and slow-
er speeds still offered advantages,
and were considered sufficient to
justify engines of this class.

The author gave some interest-
ing information concerning special
features of the vertical engines
which were made by Messrs.
Ruston and Hornsby, Ltd. An
interesting development was the
apparatus which had been devised
for checking the load on each line
of a multi-cylinder engine. By
watching the fall of a series of
floats the rate of fuel supplied to
each cylinder was at once seen,
and by means of the apparatus
the distribution of the load could
be checked in a few minutes, leav-
ing no excuse for a driver not
carrying out the procedure as a
daily duty.

The realisation of high thermal
efficiencies must be largely depen-
dent upon the heat-resisting prop-
erties of the materials at the
disposal of the designer, and
although considerable strides had
been made in this direction, there
was still much scope for investi-
gation. The closer work between
the metallurgist and the engineer
had in recent years produced
better materials and designs, with
marked improvement in the life of
castings subjected to high
stresses and temperatures.

Nevertheless, further progress was
at the present time restricted by
this factor.

While repairing in the dock of the
Mercantile Dry Dock Co., Ltd.,
Jarrow, the British Commerce
took in 600 tons of oil bunk-
ers through a pipe laid
from the British Petroleum Co.'s
oil depot outside the dockyard. By
this enterprise of bunkering the
vessel while in dock, a considerable
saving of time and expense will be
effected, the vessel, after being
undocked, can proceed immediately
to sea.

MARITIME CLUBS.

CAMARADERIE OF THOSE WHO
"GO DOWN TO THE SEA."

There is probably more
camaraderie among those who go
down to the sea in ships than
members of other professions and
this is said without belittling in
any way the club organisations
where those of similar pursuits
meet to exchange news and
views. The recently instituted
Company of Master Mariners is
something beyond a social organ-
isation, however, dealing as it
does with the professional status
of the sea-going officers and leav-
ing the less important, but none
the less essential matters of en-
tertainment and friend "pidgein,"
to the many clubs which have
been founded for those of the
cloth who wish to meet others
away from shipboard. One of the
best institutions of social kind is
the Seven Seas Club in London,
which has an ever increasing
membership, with a monthly ban-
quet held at which all meet on
common ground. It is suggested
by a writer in a Home Journal
which deals with maritime affairs
that there will probably be a
fusion of interests as between the
Club and the Company and at
first the arrangement appears to
be admirable. Nevertheless, there
are certain obstacles to the com-
bination and although these are
not insuperable, the points of con-
tact will have to be well defined,
if the Club and the Company are
to retain their distinctive features
and thrive along their own spec-
ific lines. The Club may well be-
come an adjunct to the Company
as an affiliated concern, but with-
out any control of the administra-
tion vested in the Council of the
Company, except when they
might act as a Second Chamber in
the framing of professional policy
that may develop from move-
ments within the Club, although
as a matter of fact the social
side of the Club, rather than the
political side, is its predominant
feature. It has invariably been
found in other spheres that when
the social comes in contact with
the political, a breach results and
this is the last thing to be desired
in the profession. In any event,
the innate good sense and staunch
conversation of the members of
both organizations may be relied
upon if the fusion comes about,
to prevent any disturbance of the
excellent relationship which
already exists in an unofficial way.
Both the Club and the Company
are going strong and as Unity is
Strength, perhaps the balance of
logic is on the side of some sort
of combination, but exactly what
this will mean is a matter for the
respective leaders of the move-
ments.

MARINE INSURANCE.

In a recent number of "The
Marine Underwriter," Mr. C.
Hochgraber compares, in an
erudite article the German, Bri-
tish and French law on unsea-
worthiness as applied to marine
insurance, and shows that while,
under German law, the onus of
proof of unseaworthiness is, in
certain circumstances, on the
shipowner, and in English law it
is almost always on the under-
writer, in French law there is no
such thing as unseaworthiness,
"vice propre," or inherent vice
taking its place, and sometimes
being covered by the policy of in-
surance, as, for instance, when
the inherent vice arises from
circumstances known to the
underwriters. "With the many
technicalities of the article it is
not proposed to deal at the present
time," says "Shipbuilding," but
the bare outline given above is
sufficient to show that three great
maritime nations have each a dif-
ferent law on a subject of con-
siderable importance in insurance
practice. That this should be so
can hardly be desirable. In these
days, when commerce is becoming
more and more international, it is
surely incongruous that the most
international invisible export,
marine insurance, should be gov-
erned by varied codes on any im-
portant point. Because of this, it
might be well if one of those
voluntary bodies which deal with
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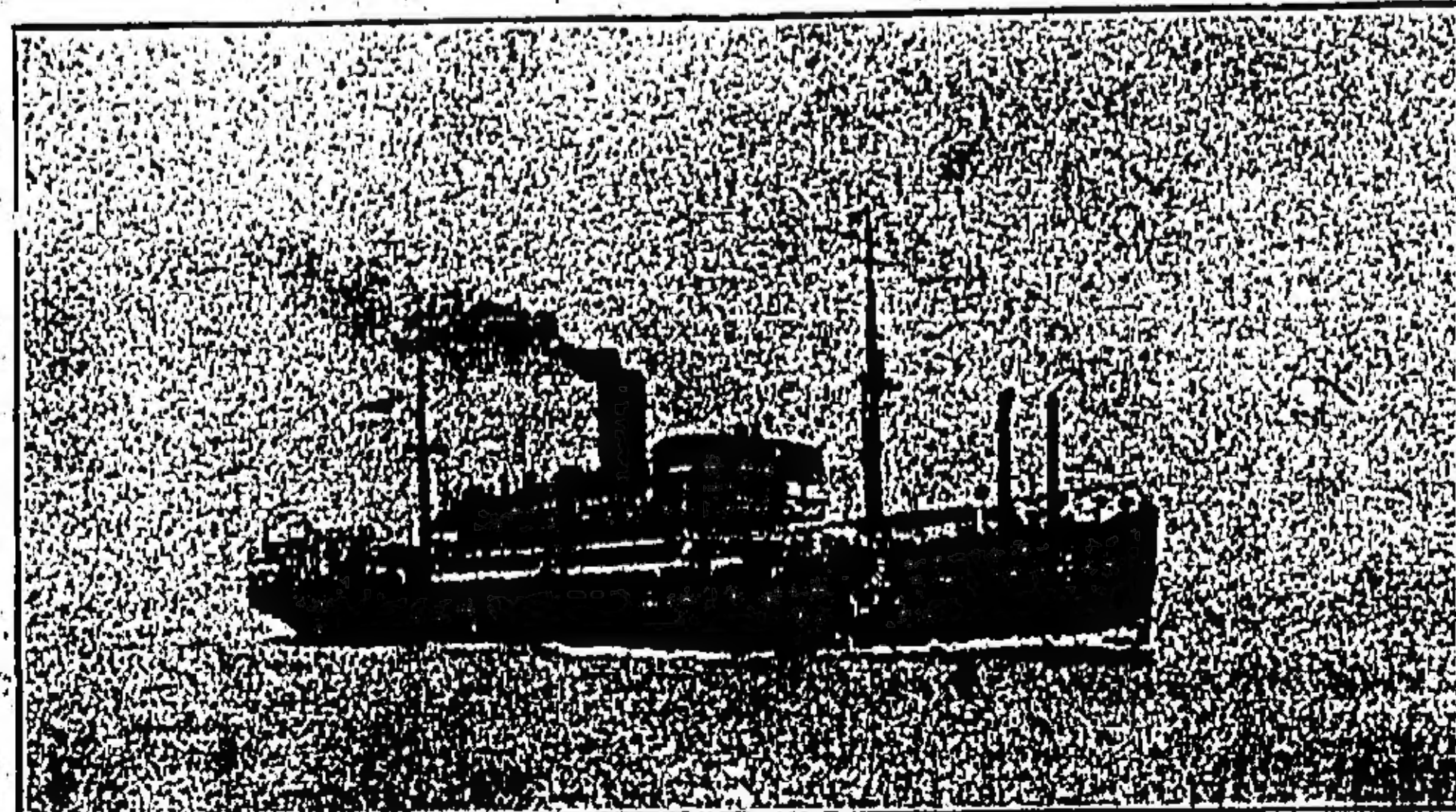
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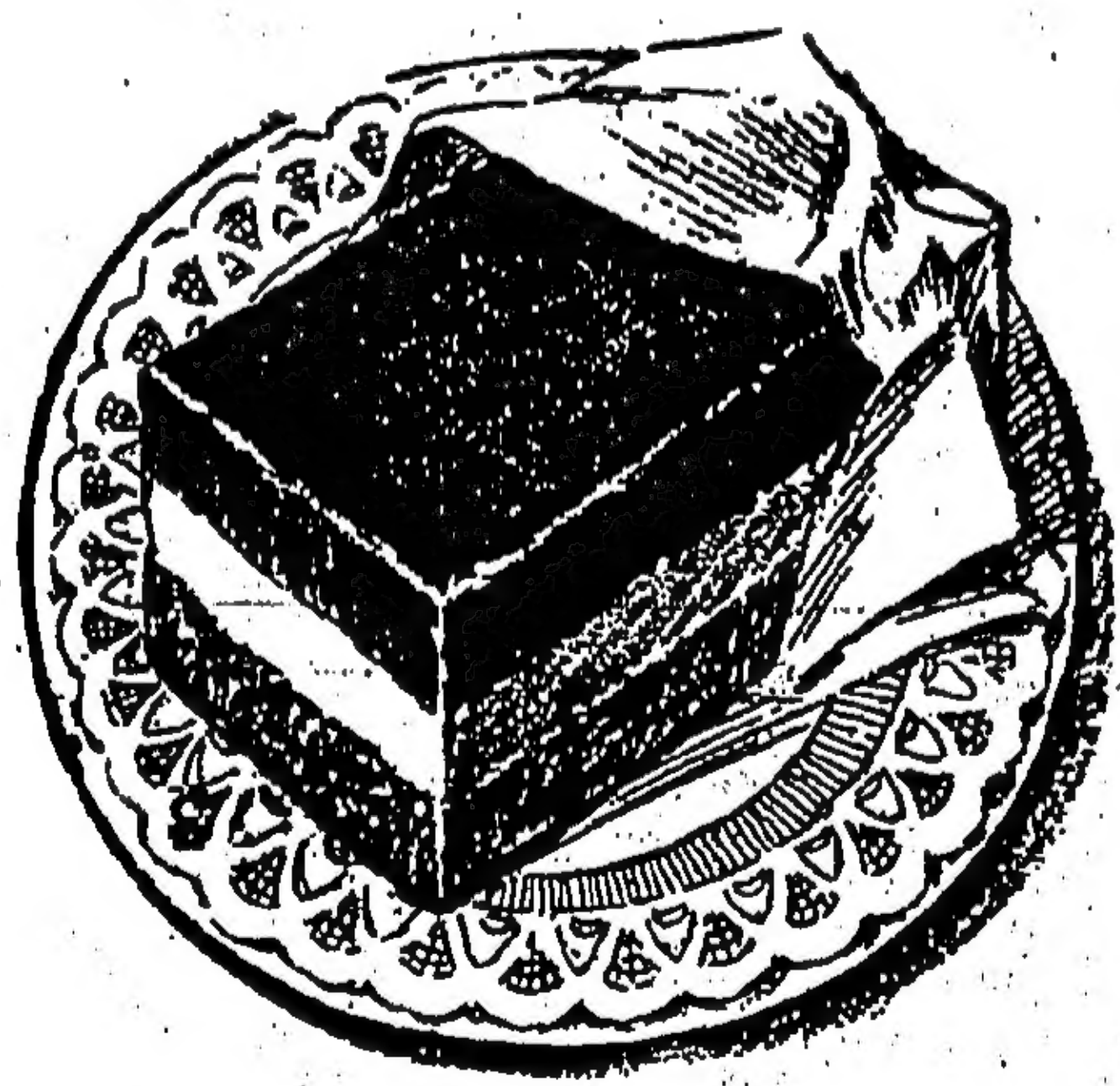
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TO DIE OR NOT TO DIE?

Since 1921 the names of Sacco and Vanzetti have cropped up in the newspapers so often that these two Italians have become known all over the world. But for the most part the public has only a vague idea who they are. Sacco and Vanzetti were convicted in 1921 of the murder, at South Braintree, Massachusetts, of Parmenter, the paymaster of a shoe factory, and his guard Berardelli. The sentence of death which was passed on them roused a storm of protest among Communists abroad as well as in America. Petitions for their reprieve were sent in from time to time, and more than one 24-hours strike was organised as a gesture of protest. Some time ago Reuter informed us that an application by Sacco and Vanzetti for a new trial had been refused, and the execution would take place in the week beginning July 10 unless a reprieve was granted either by the President or the Governor of the State. However, according to a cable received from Boston to-day, the Governor of Massachusetts has now granted a 30-day respite. Whether this means that Sacco and Vanzetti will yet be released it is impossible to judge. There seems to be a large element of doubt in the case, for according to Mr. Felix Frankfurter, of Boston, who has written a book on the subject, the evidence of identification, which was the main issue at the trial, was inconsistent, untrustworthy, and prejudiced. The defence called eye-witnesses slightly more numerous than the prosecution did, who were as well circumstanced to observe the assailants and who said that the prisoners were not the men they saw. The prisoners themselves pleaded an alibi, strongly supported by witnesses. After the date of the murder the two men pursued their normal manner of life, and no claim was made that any of the \$16,000 taken from the victims ever found its way into their pockets. Expert evidence was called on the question whether one of the six bullets found in the victims came from Sacco's revolver. Mr. Frankfurter contends that the evidence of the expert witness for the prosecution was previously agreed on the material point so that the jury should be, and were in fact, deliberately misled, and says that the witness has himself filed an affidavit since the trial saying that he never intended that his answer should imply that the bullet did come from Sacco's revolver, but that it could come from such a weapon. None of the other bullets was accounted for. They were fired from a different revolver. On the motions for a new trial, which have been unsuccessfully made during the last six years, the Judge, abandoning the view that the jury based their verdict on the issue of identification, said that it rested on the prisoners' consciousness of guilt. The prisoners were first charged with being suspicious characters, and any consciousness of guilt which they displayed is considered to be accounted for by the fear of arrest and deportation during the anti-Communist campaign of 1919-20. Sacco and Vanzetti were on the official list of political suspects. It has been said that the murder charge was framed to rid the country of them because sufficient evidence to secure their deportation was not available. This opinion is based on the affidavits of two former Government officers. The necessity for a new trial is urged on the ground that fresh evidence has recently come to light in the confession and statements of a young man already convicted of murder and awaiting a new trial. In the confession, which is naturally suspect, he says that he was one of the gang concerned in the hold-up and that Sacco and Vanzetti were not members of it. Evidently this confession is considered to carry some weight, for a second cable from Boston to-day states that Celestino Madeiros, the man concerned, has also been granted a respite of thirty days. Until further details are cabled from Boston it is impossible to tell whether Sacco and Vanzetti will yet be sent to the chair, but one cannot help feeling—without going into the grounds for their conviction—that men who have lived under the shadow of imminent death for six years deserve to be released as having suffered enough to expiate any crime.

Volunteers in Court.

It is to be generally regretted that the Government, through the Adjutant of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, has found it necessary to bring certain members of the force into open court before a police magistrate to air what is a domestic matter. The members were set a number of parades to attend within the year. They failed to attend this number, and were subsequently fined \$25 each by the Commandant for "inefficiency." This fine they did not pay, hence the summons. The procedure strikes us as hardly of the right kind to adopt in the circumstances and, if anything, seems to be rather high handed. In the first place the parades which a Volunteer is asked to attend in the course of a year do not amount to an unreasonably large number. Any ordinary individual, we think, whatever his business engagements, should be able to fill the quota. In the

second place, the man who does not ask to resign if he finds he cannot attend the necessary number but who simply stays away because "he doesn't feel like it" or finds it is not at the time convenient to attend, is better out of the Corps than in it. And if, further, he is of the kind of person who jibs at taking his medicine (i.e., refuses to pay the fine imposed by his Commanding Officer), he certainly should be compelled to leave. The Volunteer always has a course of action before him if he honestly finds he cannot perform what he has undertaken to perform as a member of the Corps—he can resign. But the adoption of police court tactics will not solve the difficulty of the slack Volunteer. It will only antagonise him, other Volunteers, and no doubt many who are potential Volunteers. Another point deserving of comment whilst we are dealing with the unfortunate subject is the use of the word "inefficient" by the officials of the Corps. If a man does not attend the necessary number of parades he may be charged with not attending them, that is to say, with disobedience to his senior officer's command, but hardly with "inefficiency." The use of the word towards ex-active Service men (and at times by non-Service men) simply because they do not attend parades naturally rankles, and a more accurate and happy term should be found for this particular branch of lack of discipline.

CORRESPONDENCE.

LOCAL MARTINETS.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—Hong Kong has been seeking for a slogan—and has found it from an unexpected quarter—"Damn the Volunteers." I refer, Sir, to the series of prosecutions of British members of the Corps on the charge of inefficiency. What a stigma on the good name of the Volunteers in public! What a denial of the tributes paid by successive Governments and General Officers Commanding at past annual inspections of the Corps!

What if an infinitely small percentage of the Volunteers are deemed inefficient because they missed a certain number of drills in twelve months. Surely they can be "dealt with" by the Volunteer authorities themselves in private instead of having their names dragged through the mud in a Police Court, and subsequently to be looked askance at by their very office staffs and colleagues? Why undo at one stroke the work of at least two years?

I ask in all seriousness: For God's sake what is the Government coming to?

Yours, etc.,

AMAZED.

Hong Kong, June 30, 1927.

CINEMA LOSSES.

MAN WHO "BORROWED" A CONCERN.

RETURN OF \$1,000 CLAIMED.

On the grounds that he was misled as to the proceeds to be made out of running a Chinese theatre at Hungfong, Ng Shun-fat at the Summary Court yesterday claimed \$1,000 from Tam Fung-shuek as money paid for a consideration which failed. The Theatre in question was the Mee Chiu Chinese theatre which the plaintiff said he was given to understand was a flourishing concern, as much as \$200 being taken in a day with a good picture. On this assurance, plaintiff paid \$1,200 for a four days' trial of the theatre and obtained a good picture which cost \$100. Plaintiff soon lost \$200, as on the first day he only collected \$16.50, on the second day \$17.40, third day \$11.50, and the fourth day only \$5.

Plaintiff sues for the return of \$1,000 of his money under a contract which is alleged to bear the signature of the defendant. This is disputed by the defendant who maintains that the signatures to this and other documents are forgeries.

After evidence for the plaintiff had been given, including that of a Chinese handwriting expert who held that the signatures were genuine, the case was adjourned until Monday week. Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. D. McCallum for the defendant.

A sea chest which belonged originally to Lord Nelson and which until recently was owned by a Sydney resident was placed on board H.M.S. "Renown" for transport to England, where, with the other Nelson relics, it was to be kept in the "Victory." The chest is inscribed "Viscount Nelson, Duke of Brontë," and is marked No. 1. It is the missing one of a series of chests owned by Nelson, and is being taken to England at the request of the Admiralty.

OUR \$50 PRIZE.

Result of Eighth New Puzzle.

ONLY ONE WINNER AGAIN.

The "China Mail" has pleasure in announcing the result of the eighth Cross-Word Puzzle of the new series. This has been won by only one competitor with a fully correct solution. The winner is—

Mr. Fred E. Silva,
c/o Shewan, Tomes & Co.,
Hong Kong.

In accordance with the rules a cheque for \$50 will be sent to the winner four days hence under registered cover, together with the congratulations of the "China Mail."

The correct solutions are as follows:—

Across.
1, OBOLIZE; 6, UMBREERE; 11, ICE; 12, ARE; 14, NATAL; 16, KRAAL; 19, STAGE; 21, IDE; 23, SKIVE; 24, LATERAL; 26, NOI-SOME; 28, ERE; 29, IN; 30, NE; 31, NOD; 32, SAC; 36, R.E.S.; 38, UNKLE; 40, ATE; 42, PAS; 46, PAL; 47, V.A.; 49, M.R.; 50, HEN; 52, EBONITE; 55, LEONINE; 57, ABEAR; 58, EVE; 59, DOMAL; 60, STANK; 62, TOURS; 65, C.T.U.; 66, R.C.N.; 68, UNSHELL; 69, BATSMEN.

Down.
2, BY; 3, LIAGE; 4, ICTERIC; 5, ZEA; 7, MAR; 8, BRASIER; 9, REAKS; 10, RE; 13, ISLET; 14, NATES; 15, L.L.L.; 16, KEN; 17, LIONS; 18, HEEDS; 20, TAR; 23, V.M.O.; 25, AN; 27, ON; 38, ALT; 39, S.E.K.; 40, ALOES; 41, EVIR-ATE; 42, PRODUCT; 43, SHIMS; 44, ANELE; 46, ABB; 48, AT; 49, ME; 51, ENA; 53, NATCH; 54, EER; 55, LET; 56, NORNS; 61, NUL; 63, ORA; 64, UN; 67, S.E.

LORRY ACCIDENT.

LADY KNOCKED DOWN IN KOWLOON.

Mrs. Daniels was knocked down by a Military lorry driven by Sergt. W. Moore, R.A.S.C., as she was crossing Nathan Road, Kowloon, at 4 p.m., yesterday. She was injured about the legs and head and was taken to the Yau-mat police station where she refused to go to hospital, preferring to receive private treatment at her own home.

MOTOR MISHAP.

INSPECTOR AND DETECTIVE HURT.

While driving his motor cycle and side car along May Road yesterday afternoon, Sub-Inspector Andrews collided with a nullah wall near the junction of Magazine Gap. The cycle was damaged to the extent of \$100. The Inspector suffered cuts to his legs and sprained a hand, while a Chinese detective who was riding in the sidecar was bruised in the left leg and cut in the right wrist.

STEALING CHARGE FAILS.

The three "boys" of the Navy, Army and Air Force Institute who are charged with the theft of money belonging to the institute, were yesterday afternoon discharged by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court. The grounds for the Magistrate's decision were the omission on the part of the prosecution to prove that money had been stolen and the casual manner in which all moneys were kept in the bar at the N.A.A.F. Institute. The finding was the result of a statement made by Police Sergeant Barnacle that there was no proper till in use at the Institute, and the money was kept in an open container from which sums could be taken out without the knowledge of the management.

A DISHONEST COOK-BOY

A cook-boy employed by Mr. Lo Yuk-tong, of No. 27 Kennedy Road was charged before Major C. Wilson this morning with the larceny of two silver bowls, a silver cake dish, 20 pairs of Ivory Chopsticks and a Mah jongg set, the property of his employer, and worth altogether \$183.

The accused admitted the charge. According to Sergeant Rozekewy, the thefts had been going on since June 4, the accused taking the things one at a time. The Magistrate passed sentence of six weeks' jail.

It really seems that there is nothing new under the sun, exclaims the "Daily Mail's" gossip writer. My suggestion about dressing men by contract was anticipated years ago by Dickens in "Pickwick," chap. xlv. "He had his hair cut on principle 'vunce a fortnight, and contracted for his clothes on the economic principle—three suits a year, and send back the old 'uns' who was he?" He was the man, according to Mr. Samuel Weller, killed himself on principle, "I'm like me in the best."

P'RAPs—P'RAPs NOT!

What next? At Los Angeles, Cal., recently a baseball player met a golfer and played a match of 18 holes on the Los Angeles Links against a golfer, the game ending "all square" on the last green—unless it was at the "ninetenth hole." The baseballer batted from tees and fairways, knocked the ball off the ground from the "rough" and bunkers, and used his baseball club like a billiard-cue on the greens. It is now clearly up to some cricketer to prove that he can outdo that baseballer, and bring low the haughty crests of the super-swanking golf-frends.

Adolphe Menjou, Satan in D. W. Griffith's Paramount picture, "Sorrows of Satan," has ridden in the automobile presented to the King of Bulgaria by Germany's ex-Kaiser. Inasmuch as Satan is represented as a modern man, Mr. Griffith decided that his car must be something very much out of the ordinary. After a search through the auto marts of New York, the King's toy—a beautifully appointed car with special Zeppelin motor, upholstered in satin, silver and ivory inlay—was discovered at a store-room on Seventh Avenue. While the licence plates still bear an imperial crest, it is not that of its former owner.

"Airing a grievance" is a common enough expression. Now the expressive American talks of "air-ing" a performance, which is "broadcasted"—or "broadcast." As some conservative orthographers have it, it is not uncommon to see in American papers such headings as "Yale Dinner to Be Aired during Week," meaning that an account of the function is to be disseminated by wireless. Probably we shall have this in Hong Kong shortly! But wireless is grifting many new words on to the language, and with some people anything is good that comes from the United States. We may thank "the pictures" largely for that.

The play was "Julius Caesar," and no expense had been spared in the production. But the effect of the assassination scene was spoiled when the trick dagger refused to work, and as Brutus frantically jabbed the unfortunate Caesar with the obdurate weapon a man in the gallery remarked, in a calm, interested voice:—
Lumme, but 'e's tough!"

"Vat does honesty mean?" asked Cohen.

"Vell," replied Isaacs. "It's difficult to explain. But if I cashed a cheque for fifty pounds, and got sixty pounds in mistake, and gave my partner five pounds, that would be honesty."

"There's a limit to all things," says Ichabod the flapper's husband. "I don't mind washing the dishes. I don't mind feeding the cat. I don't mind mending my own clothes. But I'll be durned if I'll wear pink ribbons on my nightgowns to fool the baby."

An old farmer, who was complaining terribly of a recent bad harvest, met the minister of the parish, and, as usual, held forth on the common topic. "Ah, yes, John," said the worthy minister, "You have good cause to complain, but you must remember that God cares for all, and that even the birds of the air are provided for." "Ay," said John significantly, "Aff, ma tatties!"

A party were cruising about the coast of Skeys in a yacht named the "Helvetia." A fog came down and suddenly another yacht was dimly seen crossing the "Helvetia's" bows. A voice from the stranger was heard halting:—
"Fat boat's cat?"

"Ta 'Helvetia!" roared a Highland boatman in reply.
"Ta h—ll wi ye, yersel," came the angry retort from the strange yacht.

One hundred tons of Sumatran leaf is annually flung away in the form of unfinished cigarettes by nervous young men on the point of proposing. This figure, however, is more than balanced by the 140 tons of tobacco smoked by pragmatic young women while being proposed to.

A lady bought a pot of black currant jam at a large store, and remarked to her small daughter that the jam was very nice, but had a lot of stalks in it.
"Well, mummy," said the little girl, "on the label it says 'Branches everywhere.'"

Dean Inge, of St. Paul's, the famous pulpitist, who went on a lecture tour to America, brought back this clerical gem:—
A man quite tipsy sagged down on the lobby lounge beside a dignified clergyman.

"This is fine hotel," he began. "Yes, I find it very comfortable." "What's say to having a drink?" asked the bowy one genially.

"The clergyman's face set severely. "No thank you, I never touch the vile stuff."
"Shay!" exclaimed the other, "what's givin' me? You gotcha collar on backwards now!"

Mrs. Hammond, "You can have a hat, Berdick, I shall not wear a gown."
"Berdick (the maid) "Oh, thank you, mum, it's the one my young man likes me in the best."

SUICIDE VOGUES.

METHODS OF EAST AND WEST.

MURDER TRIAL EVIDENCE.

When the hearing was resumed by Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning in connection with the Castle Peak murder case, Dr. J. E. Dovey, medical officer in charge of the Kowloon mortuary, was re-called.

The witness said in reply to the Magistrate that if the deceased had met her death by hanging and then was cut down and the rope tied tightly round the neck, the hanging mark as far as the groove might disappear, but there would still be other marks pointing to hanging. The witness agreed that the groove caused by the rope round the neck might have been caused after death.

By Mr. Leask (for the defence): The majority of hanging cases were suicides. The unpopularity of murder by hanging, the witness agreed was probably due to the difficulty of hoisting the body. The commonest form of suicide amongst the Chinese was by taking opium, then came self-drowning. Amongst other cases, suicide by drowning was commonest in the case of women, and by hanging in the case of men. In the case of suicide by hanging the marks would not be so well defined as murder by hanging, because of the violence used in the latter case. In the case of suicide by hanging if the body was cut down immediately afterwards the face would be pale, while in the case of murder by hanging the face was usually suffused. A hanging groove was usually oblique, but if the rope was passed twice round the neck the groove would be transverse. The first impression the witness had when he saw the deceased's body was that the rope round the neck had been connected to that round the waist for the purpose of removing the body for burial. Otherwise the witness could not account for the presence of the rope round the waist.

The prosecution is being conducted by the Assistant Crown Solicitor (Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith), while Mr. J. A. Gordon Leask is for the defence.

Yesterday's Evidence.
A Chinese woman said that on the day the murder was supposed to have been committed (April 7) she went to pick fruit on the hillside, a few minutes' walk from the accused's house. She arrived there at 10.45 a.m., and there met the accused with his children and their mother. Soon afterwards a heavy rainstorm came and they all took shelter on the accused's verandah. The house was then locked. The witness called out the deceased's name, and accused volunteered to her the information that his wife had gone out. On the afternoon of the same day the witness had occasion again to visit the accused's house to see his wife about some pigs' food. She was informed by the accused that the deceased had not yet returned.

Replying to a question, this witness said that the deceased had always appeared to her to be happy.

Another witness was a little girl who was on intimate terms with the accused's family. According to this witness the mother had on one occasion given her certain information about the deceased.

This the Magistrate ruled inadmissible as the Court could not accept hearsay evidence.

The last witness's mother was next called and she said that the deceased had sometimes complained to her about her husband's neglect. The deceased was by nature cheery and talkative and thus she was able to hide her domestic troubles from her less intimate friends. The witness met the accused some days after the alleged murder, and he volunteered to her the information that his wife had run away with another man.

HIDDEN ARMS.

IN THE ENDS OF A PAIR OF BOOTS.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning, Mr. M. M. Watson appeared for a Chinese who had just returned from Vancouver by the "Empress of Asia." The man was charged with the unlawful possession of an automatic and 80 rounds of ammunition. Mr. Watson entered a plea of "guilty." The police said that the revolver and ammunition were found concealed in the toe ends of a pair of boots which the accused had among his luggage. A fine of \$300 was imposed and the contraband was confiscated.

CHINA NEWS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

agreement with Nanking, whereby she will not interfere with the Nanking troops advance to Peking if the Nanking Government stifles the anti-Japanese boycott.—Reuter.

MOSCOW UNMASKED.

Nanking Press Bureau's Strong Criticism.

Shanghai, June 30.

The Nanking Government's Press Bureau publishes a lengthy criticism on the report of a meeting of the Internationale Executive in Moscow last month.

The Press Bureau states that China is faced with a new Soviet Imperialism which will send propagandists to dupe the Chinese, and supplies of dupe with munitions to fight for Moscow.

The Press Bureau proceeds to point out that a knowledge of the true situation in China would disorganise the proletariat of Russia, which is already awaking to an understanding of the value of Bolshevik promises.

The Press Bureau concludes that as Soviet Imperialism is receiving a severe setback in China at present, it is possible that the Communists will revolt and endeavour to establish their own dictatorships in Hankow, and elsewhere in Central China.

Such regimes are unlikely to exist long, but will serve to show China what to expect from her oleaginous neighbour and to teach her the perils of the new Moscow Imperialism.—Reuter.

TENSION EASED.

Warship Leaves The Far East Indies.

Rugby, July 29.

Questioned regarding China in the House of Commons, the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs stated that no substantial changes have occurred in the military situation in the past fortnight. It is understood that negotiations between the various military leaders have been proceeding and these appear to have resulted in agreement between generals Chiang Kai-shek and Feng Yu-hsiang.

Negotiations are not in progress with the Chinese authorities at Nanking or Hankow, but the British consular officers continue to deal with these authorities regarding specific cases involving British interests as they arise.

In addition to the British battalion transferred to Tientsin, one battalion has been sent to Wei-hai-wei for defence of the convalescent depot established there for soldiers from Shanghai. The only naval change is that H.M.S. "Enterprise" has proceeded from the China Station to the East Indies Station and H.M.S. "Emerald" will do so shortly.—British Wireless Service.

STRICTLY NEUTRAL.

Britain Not Conducting Any Negotiations.

London, June 29.

In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. G. Locker Lampson, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, reviewed the changes in the military situation in China during the past fortnight and the British naval and military movements.

Mr. Locker Lampson said that no negotiations were proceeding with the Chinese authorities at Nanking or Hankow, but the British consular officers had dealt with the authorities as regards specific cases involving British interests as they arose.—Reuter.

NEWS BY THE MAIL.

All Still Quiet Along The Yangtze.

Shanghai, June 29.

Along the Yangtze at the present time there is a period of calm and messages received from various ports report quietness in almost every instance with very little incident.

Peace has at last come to Wuhu and according to a message received here on Friday the Senior British Naval Officer considers it safe for the wives of members of the British community to return to that port.

The only warlike incident reported in yesterday's messages came from Hwangchow where a British steamer was fired upon on June 28. Seven shots were fired in all but no report is made of the damage done if any.

Whilst the Chinese Customs officers at Hankow were inspecting some oil lighters from upriver, on Friday afternoon an armed party of Chinese came alongside and after driving off the Customs officials removed 90

SUN'S ECLIPSE.

GREAT SHADOW ACROSS THE EARTH.

REMARKABLE SCENES.

Oslo, June 29.

Early reports of unfavourable conditions came from St. Avanger, Aal, Hallingdal, and Fagernes. On the other hand the weather was excellent at Ringebu where a Bolshevik expedition is stationed, also at Finnmark and Nyborgmoen.—Reuter.

No Clouds.

Utrecht, June 29.

A Dutch eclipse expedition to Lapland made successful observations. There were no clouds during the totality period.—Reuter.

Earlier Messages.

London, June 29.

The total eclipse of the sun made England a nation of astronomers. For the past six months experts have been explaining the phenomenon in the "Daily Press."

Unparalleled scenes were witnessed in many parts of the country, particularly in the thirty mile wide totality belt from Cricklethor to Hartlepool, where, while the moon's shadow turned day into night, a million eclipse visitors turned night into day, profiting by the relaxation by the authorities of all licensing and amusement restrictions. Dances, fairs, cinemas and band performances kept the crowds agog. Even shops in many places remained open.

The eclipse began at 5.26, and was total at 6.23, the totality lasting twenty-four seconds, the eclipse ending at 7.28.

Awe-Inspiring Spectacle.

The magnificent awe-inspiring spectacle viewed at Giggleswick, Yorkshire, the most favourable spot in the totality belt, where an Astronomer-Royal and a party of experts had taken up their position to view the phenomenon was dramatic. An almost neck and neck race took place between the sun and the clouds, wherein the sun gained a last-moment victory.

When the eclipse started the light became a weird greyish brown and the atmosphere became cold. A sudden wind overswept the moor and birds stopped singing and sheep bleated pitifully as the great shadow rushed across the earth at a fearful speed and day became night.

The voices of one of the observers dramatically broke the silence counting each thrilling second. Thousands of watchers on the surrounding hills were overawed when totality was reached, and the gold and silver rays of the corona sprang forth as from some invisible crucible. Then as the observers counted the twenty-third second the light disappeared.

London Disappointed.
In spite of the overcast sky and steady rain hundreds of Londoners rose early in the hope of witnessing the partial phase which was all that would be visible outside the totality belt.

The sun made a half-hearted last moment effort to pierce the clouds but at the crucial time the sky was one sheet of leaden grey. The only sign of the phenomenon was a deep shadow which settled all over London a few minutes before and after the time of totality.—Reuter.

Total in Norway.

Conditions for the observation of the eclipse which was total in Norway were unfavourable as the sky was totally clouded. Professor Newall of Cambridge was very disappointed that his four weeks preparation in England and three weeks hard work in Norway were without result.

"All I got are four pictures of a canopy of clouds at Hallingdal,"—Reuter.

By striking at savings you propagate the idea "Eat and drink for to-morrow we die," which is at one time the inspiration of the mortal disease by which the Socialist philosophy is affected.—Mr. Churchill.

This action was nothing short of piracy and the launch containing the stolen cases and the armed party was brought alongside the H.M.S. "Durban." Upon investigation it was discovered that the cases contained smuggled opium which was handed over to the Customs.

Nanking Position.
The situation at Nanking remains the same and troop movement to the North continues. Many of the troops are going North by rail from Pukow and others are leaving in small craft presumably for the Grand Canal.

Ichang messages state that Liu Hsiang did not arrive there as was expected and sent only a very small detachment of troops to the port.

The oil installation at Changsha is still intact according to a wireless message received yesterday from that port. The general atmosphere in the vicinity is quiet.

Activities in American circles in the Orient yesterday included the despatch of the U.S. Transport "Chaumont" to Tientsin. The vessel carried between 500 and 600 American Marines, in addition to five fighting planes. The planes, it is understood, will be taken off the ship at Taku Bar and will fly to Tientsin.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

THE SCHEME OF REFORM NOT DROPPED.

London, June 29.

In the House of Commons, asked whether the Government had abandoned the House of Lords reform scheme, Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, for Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Prime Minister, replied that he had not heard anything to justify such a statement.—Reuter.

Yesterday's cables stated that in view of the mixed reception of its proposals in the House of Lords it was understood that the Government has decided to shelve at present the scheme outlined by the Lord Chancellor on June 20 and merely introduce a measure dealing with the Speaker's power as regards money Bills. The Government's proposals as explained by the Lord Chancellor included the introduction of the elective principle for peers and the nomination of a certain number of Labour members.

FLAG DISPUTE.

SENATE FINALLY REJECTS THE BILL.

Capetown, June 29.

The Senate has finally rejected the Flag Bill. General Hertzog, the Prime Minister, has intimated that a short session of Parliament will be held early in October to deal with the Flag Bill and the Iron and Steel Bill.—Reuter.

[The Senate adopted an amendment proposing as a substitution for the Government's flag design, another design, consisting of the Union Jack, the old Free State flag, the Transvaal "Vierkleur," and four silver stars on a blue field representing the provinces, divided quarterly by a silver cross.]

AMBASSADOR WELCOMED.

New York, June 29.

Mr. Myron Herrick, U.S. Ambassador to France, arrived aboard the "Ile de France" bearing the memorandum from the French Government with regard to the possibility of a Security Pact with the United States.

He was taken to the City Hall, where he was met by Mayor Walker and Colonel Lindbergh, who has broken his rule of seclusion in order to take part in the welcome.

At least 15,000 persons were present when Mr. Herrick landed at the Battery.—Reuter's American Service.

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MOSCOW DEATHS.

BRITISH LABOUR MEMBERS' PROTEST.

Moscow, June 29.

The Labour members, Messrs. Lansbury, Maxton and Fenner Brockway have telegraphed to M. Rykoff asking for the cessation of executions without trial which are impeding their campaign against British Government's anti-Russian policy.

M. Rykoff has replied that the vigorous campaign against counter revolutionaries is inevitable and hopes that the British public will not submit to the British Government's "policy of provocation and preparation for another war."—Reuter.

Two Poles Executed.

Tarassovitch, June 29.
Two Poles charged with espionage in Soviet territory on behalf of the Polish General Staff have been sentenced to death by the Jitomirvolya Regional Court and executed.—Reuter.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

June 30—Queen's Theatre; "The Whole Town's Talking."

June 30—World Theatre; "Prisoners of the Storm."

June 30—Star Theatre; "East Lynne."

June 30—Tea Dinee Cafe Restaurant; "Parisian, 4.30 p.m."

June 30—Isak's Circus, New Reclamation Ground, Praya East, Wanchai 9.15 p.m.

July 2—Second promenade Concert, Lee Gardens, 9.30 p.m.

July 3—Return engagement of the Wilbur Players at Star Theatre, Kowloon.

Sport.

July 2—First Night Swimming Fete of the season at V.R.C., 9 p.m. Meeting.

July 7—Annual meeting of the Hong Kong Radio Society, "South China Morning Post" Bldg., 5.30 p.m.

Lammert Auctions.

July 6—Valuable household furniture, No. 178, Kowloon Tong, 2.45 p.m.

July 6—Valuable household furniture at Sales Room, 2.30 p.m. Miscellaneous.

June 30—Police Recreation Club holds weekly open air whist drive on the Club lawn, 8.30 p.m.

July 2—Theosophical Society's Bathing Picnic Party leaves Queen's Pier for Picnic Bay at 4 p.m.

July 3—Wah Yau Old Boy's Union holds ping pong social, 8 p.m.

July 4—American Community "at home" to friends at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden, 4-6.30 p.m.

July 7—Police Branch of M.C.L. holds whist drive in aid of League Fund, Helena May Institute.

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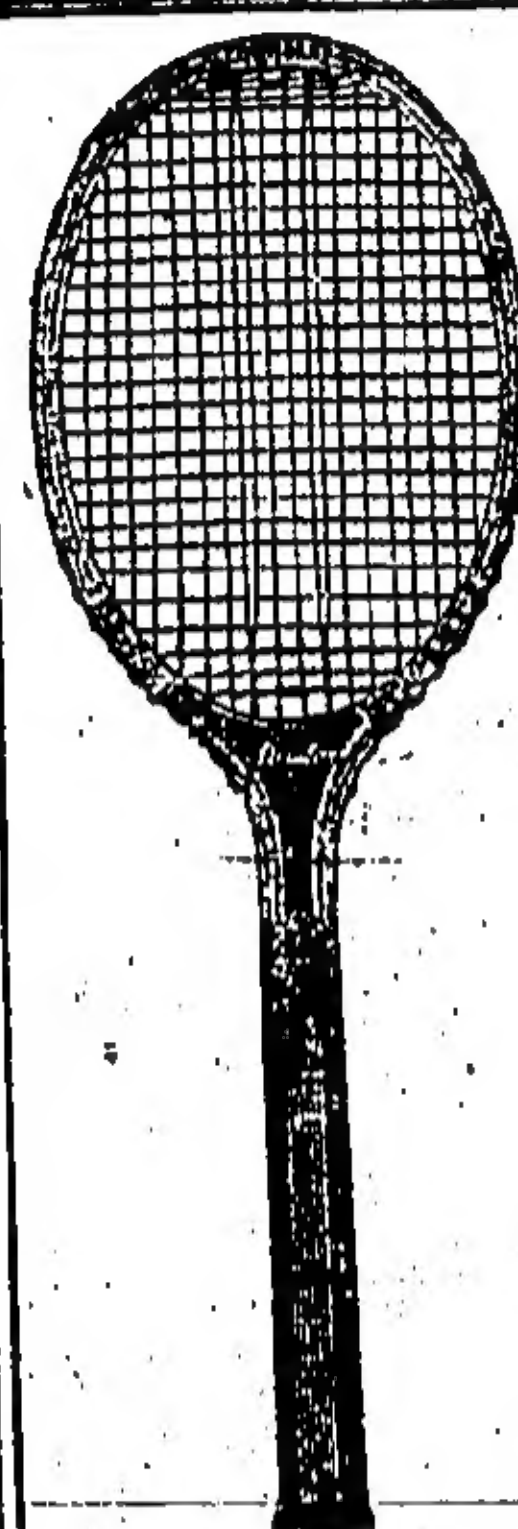
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The whist drive to be held in aid of the funds of the Police Branch, M.C.L., at the Helena May Institute takes place on July 7 and not to-day as previously announced.

The Fire Brigade was called last night to a small conflagration which broke out in an umbrella shop at 53, Bonham Strand East. The fire was extinguished within a few minutes, little damage being done.

A Reuter cable from Paris states that a special committee of the Chamber of Deputies by a majority of one decided to recommend that Doriot's Parliamentary immunity should not be raised. Doriot is the Communist who visited Canton and Hankow in company with Tom Mann.

The Trunk Murder, says a "Daily Mail" writer, has once more shown the importance of the unsightly laundry mark. Many people like myself must wish, however, that these marks were not so often attached to the most noticeable parts of the articles they mark. White ties, for example, are frequently covered with little red cross-cresses of thread on the bow itself instead of in the middle, and many a silk handkerchief of mine has been too conspicuously decorated with the figure "44" stitched on to the edge which projects above the breast pocket.

Has marriage a danger point? Analysis of the divorce cases heard in mail week suggests that it has. It shows: About 60 per cent. of the marriages concerned were childless. The average age of the parties involved was 35. More marital crashes occur round about the twelfth than any other year. Commenting on this review, a leading K.C. told a reporter that this wide experience of Divorce Court work encouraged him to agree that most marriages that failed were childless. "With the other facts I would not agree, however," he said. "In the first place statistics must be unreliable, as we are dealing with the failure of so many of the hasty marriages of the war and immediately afterwards. Then again the new Act giving equal divorce rights to women tends to make the cases before the courts not typical of the normal. Speaking without help from such statistics, I would say the danger year in marriage is round about the seventh. It is certainly earlier than the twelfth."

Four cases of enteric fever (all Chinese) were notified in the Colony yesterday.

Messrs. Lammett Bros. are auctioning a quantity of household furniture, including black-wood ware, at their Duddell Street sales room on July 5.

"THE CHINA MAIL."

The "China Mail" will be published at noon to-morrow, which is a Bank holiday. Ordinary publication will be resumed on Saturday.

Mr. Ganeshilal, jun., of Agra, India, had a command audience of the King and Queen at Buckingham Palace to show to their Majesties his collection of Indian historic and other jewels and embroideries. The King and Queen were much interested in the collections.

According to a Reuter cable from New York the Governor General of the Philippines has arrived to report to the President on the Philippine situation. It is definitely announced that he will return to the Philippines to resume his duties in spite of reports to the contrary.

"Pass the porcupine" is a phrase heard frequently in the city to-day, states the Paris correspondent of the "Daily Mail." The French National Zoological Society gave an exotic luncheon, at which roast porcupine was the chief dish. It was pronounced to have the most delicate flavour. Other dishes chosen for their rarity included stewed Sahara lizard, which had a slight flavour of musk; also pigeon, into the heart of which a sauce had been injected and pumped through the flesh.

The rough wooden cross which for centuries marked the spot in the Coliseum where hundreds of Christian martyrs met their death, and which was removed after the fall of the temporal power of the Papacy in 1870, was placed in position again in the presence of Queen Elena, who sat in a specially erected tribune. The fact that the ceremony, during which State and Church officials mingled, was attended by the Queen is of special significance as indicating the changed relations now existing between the Vatican and the Quirinal.

According to preliminary figures compiled by the Cabinet Statistics Bureau, births in Japan exceeded deaths by 940,000 during the past year. The final estimates are expected to show a total excess of approximately 1,000,000.

The Australian Government has accepted the offer of the co-operation of the British-Australian Tobacco Company in carrying out investigations to determine whether Australia is capable of producing tobacco for the whole of her own requirements.

The management of the King Edward Hotel announces that dinner dansants will be held on Saturdays (8 to 12) and tea dansants on Tuesdays and Fridays (5 to 7). Prof. C. Thereses and Miss M. Senour will give exhibition dances on each of these evenings.

Two probates have been granted locally, that of the will of Choy Ping-woon, late of 5 Tai Pak Terrace, being granted to Choy Yun-sang and Ho Sze-chi, of 33 Wing Wo Street, and letters of administration in respect of the will of Mr. F. Xavier Alvares being granted to deceased's sister, Miss C. Alvares, of the Italian Convent. The former left local estate amounting to \$158,700 and the latter local estate amounting to \$2,500.

Arriving unexpectedly at an Empire exhibition at Chertsey, Surrey, which his daughter, Miss Megan Lloyd George opened in aid of the local hospital, Mr. Lloyd George, said: "I did not come here with the intention of making a speech. I came to fetch the girl home. (Laughter). She gave me serious warning that I was not to arrive until her speech was over. It is the first time I have had the privilege of hearing her, and I think she will do." (Laughter). Miss Lloyd George said the Cottage Hospital was a comparatively new institution. There was a time, not so very long ago, when only large centres were provided with hospitals, which meant that a patient from the countryside had to make a long, wearisome, and painful journey until he could receive relief, and, in serious cases, the length of the journey made recovery doubtful. All that had been changed. Every county now had its cottage hospitals, and it was now possible for persons to receive relief with less discomfort and considerably less danger to life.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

The American community of Hong Kong will be at home to friends on Monday, July 4, at the Hong Kong Hotel roof garden from 4 to 4.30 p.m.

If one is to believe the latest story from Paris, M. Doumergue may have welcomed his visit to London as an opportunity of escaping from the attentions which pursue eligible bachelors in France. It is said that recently a mysterious American woman had been chasing him mercilessly, and it was only his boasted chivalry that prevented the police from arresting her on suspicion as an Anarchist. She had gone so far as to make him a proposal in writing, giving her age (thirty-two), the amount of her dowry (\$400,000), and enclosing her photograph. The Dollar Princess little knew her man, for M. Doumergue is about as susceptible to tender emotions as a graven image.

The latest celebrity to take an active part in anti-Red propaganda is Sir Thomas Beecham, who announces that he is going to take every possible opportunity of speaking in public on this subject. Previously he has always refused to take part in public meetings, although he has always watched politics very closely from the time he left Oxford. "My father sent me to the university with the express intention of fitting me out for a political career," he says. "But I kicked over the traces and decided that any career was better than one in Parliament. But although I have produced 120 operas in 10 years, I have never kept my head in the air and both feet off the ground as most musicians do."

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, who was 68 in mail week, is fond of recalling his own early struggles for the encouragement of budding story tellers. Though he had a short story published in "Chamber's Journal"—first encouragement of so many famous writers—when only 19, he wrote for three years after that without an acceptance, and his early books brought but a small financial return. During the first 12 years of his literary career, indeed, he never made more than £50 per annum by his pen, and the first of the famous Sherlock Holmes series he sold outright, after numerous publishers had rejected it, for £25.

The death took place at Easter Warriston, Edinburgh, of Lieutenant-Colonel Gerald Andrew Agnew, late 90th Light Infantry. Colonel Agnew, who was in his 92nd year, was the last surviving son of the late Sir Andrew Agnew, seventh Baronet of Lochaw, Wigtownshire, and was the uncle of the present Baronet, Sir Andrew Noel Agnew. Lieutenant-Colonel Agnew received his commission in the Army in 1855, served under Havelock at the first relief of Lucknow, and was wounded during the second siege. He acted as Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General in Ireland, and was Captain in the 90th and 30th Regiments, retiring with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

The s.s. "President McKinley," which left Hong Kong for Seattle on June 28, had the following passengers aboard:—

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Bender, of the National City Bank, travelling to Shanghai.

Mr. Tsu Yee-pei, manager of the Bank of China on a business trip to Shanghai.

Miss M. Hoestington, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Hoestington returning to the States, stopping over at Shanghai. Miss Hoestington is a missionary worker connected with the American Presbyterian Mission, Canton.

Mrs. M. E. K. Farrar, prominent local resident, going to Shanghai.

Mr. P. M. Roll, travelling through to Seattle. Mr. Roll is attached to the Shell Oil Company.

Mr. H. H. Pethick, of the local office of the Standard Oil Co., returning home to the United States on vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. McLure and infant of the Lingnam University, Canton, returning to the States on vacation.

Mrs. A. C. Bailey and two daughters, returning to the United States. Mrs. Bailey is the wife of a prominent business man in Bangkok, Siam.

Mr. J. R. Lewis, going home to Europe on furlough. Mr. Lewis is a tea planter in India.

Mr. M. V. Suter, travelling home to Europe. Mr. Suter is a prominent in banking circles in the Straits.

The King and Queen held at Buckingham Palace the first Court of the season, the attendance totalling nearly 1,000. The Court, which was held in the Throne Room, was mainly diplomatic and official. The Queen wore a dress of English cloth of silver, with an overdress of delicate tulle embroidered with pearls and silver. Her head dress was a diadem of diamonds. Her neck ornaments were also diamonds. The Court opened with the entry of Lady Chamberlain, wife of the Foreign Secretary. Presentations in diplomatic, official, and general circles followed.

Says a Home paper: It is possible on almost any morning just now to catch a glimpse of the King riding in the Row—that is, if you are as early a riser as His Majesty. Except when the weather is distinctly inclement, the King rarely misses pre-breakfast exercise. Many people are not at their best at so early an hour, and the usual courtesies are apt to be forgotten, but it is not so with the King. He observes every salutation and is punctilious in acknowledging it, although the repeated raising of his hat cannot add to his enjoyment of the ride.

The Queen has a little intimate tea-party almost every afternoon in her private drawing-room at Buckingham Palace (says a "Daily Chronicle" writer.) These are very jolly affairs, with hardly any formality or ceremonial about them. Tea is served by the Queen's Lady-in-Waiting—Lady Joan Verney at the moment—and the Queen enters freely into conversation with her guests. It is expected that there will be one of these tea parties every afternoon while the Court is at Buckingham Palace except when Queen Mary has a tea-time engagement. These are quite "womanly" tea parties, and the masculine element is usually absent. Even the King rarely looks in at them, though Princess Mary sometimes joins her mother for tea. Occasionally, too, the Queen's guests are delighted by the unexpected "popping in to tea" of one of the Princes.

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SPORTS SECTION

AT WIMBLEDON.

DETAILS OF PLAY-IN DOUBLES.

AMERICANS DOING WELL.

Wimbledon, June 29.
In dull and showery weather, before a full attendance including Mr. Baldwin, the Wimbledon championships were continued with Bryson and Cochet beating Kozeluh and Gottlieb 6-2, 6-2, 6-3. In the fourth round Hunter and Tilden beat N. Letchford and R. Pryce Jones 7-5, 6-3, 6-3. There was frequent interruption in all matches owing to rain.

Rain has stopped play completely and probably there will be extension of these days.

In the third round and Austin Lycett beat Timmer and Bryan 6-2, 6-4, 6-6. In the second round of the mixed doubles Hunter and Miss Ryan beat Macgregor and Miss Alexander 6-1, 6-2.—Reuter.

LOCAL TENNIS.

CHINESE R.C. WIN IN "B" DIVISION.

In a "B" league tennis match yesterday the C.R.C. beat the S.C.A.A. by 53 games to 46. Scores:—

C. Chua and H. Lo beat Ma Chi-hoon and Chan Hip-wo 6-3, beat Chan So and Ho Wei-hing 7-4, beat Luk Kin-cheung and Luk Ding-cheung 7-4.

Lau Man-ching and Lu Tse-cheuk lost to Ma Chi-hoon and Chan Hip-wo 3-8, lost to China So and Ho Wei-hing 5-6, lost to Luk Kin-cheung and Luk Ding-cheung 3-8.

Lau Fuk-ki and Cheng Chi-wing beat Ma Chi-hoon and Chan Hip-wo 8-1, beat Chan So and Ho Wei-hing 7-4, lost to Luk Kin-cheung and Luk Ding-cheung 5-6.

St. Stephen's beat Chinese R.C. An exciting tennis match was played at St. Stephen's College yesterday when the Chinese Recreation Club was entertained. The home-sters won by a margin of three games. Scores:—

M. B. Ma and K. Ip (C.R.C.) beat T. G. Lim and H. N. Chau 9-2, beat H. K. Lee and H. N. Lee 6-5, beat K. S. Leung and Thong Lor 8-3.

C.R.C.
M. K. Lau and K. F. Lo lost to T. G. Lim and H. N. Chau 2-9, lost to H. K. Lee and H. N. Lee 5-6, and lost to K. S. Leung and Thong Lor 5-6.

H. Lee and T. L. Lu (C.R.C.) lost to T. G. Lim and H. N. Chau 3-8, lost to H. K. Lee and H. N. Lee 5-6, and lost to K. S. Leung and Thong Lor 5-6.

SPOIL SPORT RAIN.

ALL HOME FIXTURES AFFECTED.

Rain to-day interfered with all out-door sport, including cricket, lawn tennis and the Henley Regatta.

At Wimbledon only a few doubles matches were played. Tilden and Hunter (United States) Bryson and Cochet (France) and Lycett (England) all advanced further stage in the men's doubles.—British Wireless Service.

HOME CRICKET.

LEICESTER MATCH A WASHOUT.

London, June 29.
The Leicestershire-Warwickshire match, reported yesterday does not count in the county championship table. Warwick had scored 193 and Leicester made 60 for two wickets when rain stopped play.—Reuter.

LADIES' GOLF PRIZE.

A prize has been presented to the ladies' section of the R.F.C. Golf Club by Mrs. H. K. Hopes for a competition at Deep Water Bay during July, August, and September. The conditions are nine holes medal round under quarter handicap and any number of cards may be taken during the three months. A charge of 50 cents will be made for each card, the proceeds being in aid of the Ministering Children's League.

Norman Morris, the welter and middleweight champion of Hong Kong, is in hospital, suffering from bronchitis.

MACAO RACES.

ENTRIES FOR SUNDAY'S MEETING.

Following are the entries for the third extra race meeting at Macao on Sunday next. The first saddling bell is at 1.30 p.m.

The Chekiang Plate (5 furlongs):—Little Darling, Castle, Green Island, Beautiful Terrace, Pelling, Easter Day, Dunwell, Sutherland, Wai Chow, Chin Hoi, Pernikety.

The Fukien Plate (6 furlongs):—Chow Tsz Lo, Shanghai Friend, U-Un, Hon Sin, Macao Beauty, Loongwa, Wild Fellow, Flash Star, Baccarat, Sunburst Rose.

The Anhwei Plate (once round):—Chick To, Glenmerin, Sian Mein, Dragon Boat, May, Spectre.

LAWN BOWLS.

Will Club Secretaries or Bowls Conveners kindly send in terms for Saturday's League games in time to be published in our issue of Friday?

Yuchang, Valour, Chui Chow, Jing, U-Un, Perversity, Lilac, Spectre.

The Chihli Plate (1 mile):—Dick Lo, Little Sit Tang, Lucky Star, Sun Ning, Tap Siao, Cherry Randy.

The Honan Plate (7 furlongs):—Aria Preta, Fir Dee, Jan Dor, Gold Star, Honey Moon, Jan Ja, Sutherland, Cherry Brandy, Yuen In, Six Hundred, White Bird, Perversity.

The Hupai Plate (once round):—Papyrus, Easter Day, Peking, Little Darling, Green Island, Castle, Dunwell, Chick To, Dragon Boat, Macao Beauty, Chin Hoi, Spectre.

The July Champion (one mile):—Flash Star, Leaf, Baccarat, Wild Fellow, Wuchang, on 6, Shanghai Friend, Shan Mein, Chui Chow Ning, Sunburst Rose.

The Mid-Summer Stakes (once round):—Wai Chow, Chin Hoi, Sutherland, Green Island, Aria Preta, Cherry Brandy, Castle, Peking, Wild Fellow, Wuchang, Little Darling, Jan Dor, Macao Beauty, Chick To, Shan Mein, Beautiful Terrace, Valour, Dragon Boat, Leaf, Fir Dee, Flash Star, Glenmerin, Honey Moon, White Bird, Six Hundred, Jan Ja, Little Sit Tang, Gold Star, Loongwa, Baccarat, Easter Day, Papyrus, Lucky Star, Sun Ning, Shanghai Friend, U-Un, Tap Siao, Dunwell, Perversity, Lilac, Chui Chow Ning, Hon Sin, Yuen Sin, May, Dick Lo, Chow Tsz Lo, Sunburst Rose, Pernikety, Spectre.

SWEEP METHODS.

JOCKEY CLUB TAKE A HAND.

London, June 9.
The Jockey Club is communicating with the organisers of big sweepstakes on the Derby, notably the London Stock Exchange Fund, with a view to readjustment of prize money.

This step is proposed with the object of removing the temptation to owners to nominate or start forlorn candidates for the monetary consideration offered by the holder of a ticket which has drawn the horse.

It is recalled that the Calcutta Club years ago ceased to offer big prizes for "also rans" after representations made in the interest of sport.

It is considered likely that the Stock Exchange will do the same. The running of some horses in last week's Derby has been severely criticised in view of the hopelessness of their chances.

Under the present system drawers of horses in the Calcutta Turf Club sweep, outside the first three, participate equally, whether the horse runs or not.

The old method was that ten per cent was divided among the also rans, so that there was a possibility of collusion between an owner and the holder of a ticket leading to a horse with no possible chance being sent to the post.

It is surprising to find that the Stock Exchange sweep was still being run under the old method.

Good length is the top rung of the ladder, so to speak, and that will tax any opponent, so strive for it. When you volley, try to do so from as near the net as possible, and to volley crisply give the ball a crack.

Remembering in the volleying game the choice of ball to come in on is all-important, try to note also the favourite passing shot off your opponent whether down the line or across court.

MATCH TENNIS.

POINTS THAT LEAD TO SUCCESS.

WATCH YOUR OPPONENT.

[By P. D. B. Spence.]

Lawn Tennis these days is a very fast and strenuous game due to the so-called "speeding up" that has taken place in recent years. It is now the game of a trained athlete. But there are many who have made "speed" their God; to such, court-craft and tactics in a match means nothing, and it is on this, as important as any side of the game, that I am about to write.

Some players are naturally possessors of good court-craft, but to others, it comes only with much experience of match play. In the first place, a young player must understand that many a match is, metaphorically speaking, won or lost not on the court itself. In this respect I am alluding to fitness. I have won many a match in the gym or running track the preceding week. In one match I have in mind, my opponent was "done" after the fourth set. I always attribute the success to the skipping, physical jerks and general training I did in preparation for the match. Thus, the first essential is fitness, train and give yourself a chance.

The Other's Game.
Next comes a consideration of your opponent's game. I find it a tremendous help, if I have not met my opponent before, to see him in action. Try to see him play and look for, or try to make up your mind on two things: one—his favourite shot, and the other any weakness he may have.

Perhaps he has a weak backhand. If so, play to his back hand court, with a drive every now and then into his fore-arm court to keep him out of his back-hand corner where he will endeavour to dig himself in and try to run round the shot you have aimed at.

He may have quite a good backhand, but is unable to play it down the line, or he may be able to play it down the line and not across. Always watch.

A Personal Experience.
I remember beating a well-known player in my first international match in three sets quite comfortably, much to the surprise of not a few. The reason I beat him was that I noticed when he was playing, that whenever his opponent came to the net with a shot to his back-hand corner, he passed him or tried to with a shot down the line, seldom or never across. This was his favourite back hand, down the line, beautiful shot low and accurate. When I played him, I would drive on to this back-hand, run up to the net and just wait for it at the side.

Your opponent may have a favourite shot with his fore-arm. But having made up your mind on any peculiarity in his game, exploit it. Try to put him in any position rather than that for his favourite shot.

Volleying.
If he is a weak volleyer entice him to the net with a short shot, and when he is there, drive. Some good volleyers are bad over head, especially high lobs, so try to pass him if you see a good opening. Otherwise, lob. You must mix up the job with a passing shot, not stick to one plan; for the lob to be successful you must get the volleyer coming close into the net expecting a passing shot.

Then his receiving of service—direct your service to his backhand if it is weak, placing one on his fore-hand now and again to prevent his closing up that side of the service court. This is not easy, but most essential. I consider a player can hardly call himself a first class player unless he can place his service. Some rely on speed and nothing else, or spin and kick such as the American Reverse service; but the medium fast to fast, well-placed, straight service is the best.

If you can, serve a high kicking, breaking American service, but try a fast straight service now and then.

Seek Advice.
If you have had no opportunity of watching your opponent perform, ask some old, experienced player his opinion. This is a failing of many young players. They consider they have nothing to learn or gain by advice. Well, they will learn too late or by bitter experience that an old player, even if he does talk a good deal about the Doherty brothers and that lawn tennis is not any better now than it was fifty years ago, does know his subject. I have found that it has not always been the faulty advice that has lost me the match, but the inability to carry it out correctly.

If it is impossible to "know" your opponent beforehand, then you must sacrifice the first two or three games of the match attempting to find out the necessary points. Play on his back-hand, play on his forehand, bring him up to the net, and so on, and try to find these things out. If he has a glaring weakness, one or two games will make it obvious, and if you lost them in finding it out, they are games well spent or lost.

Good Length.
It is the Jack of all trades and master of none that makes it awkward; under those circumstances you must set your plan of campaign on general lines to suit your favourite shot or game.

(Continued at foot of preceding column.)

"CHEQUELETS."

MR. CHURCHILL'S TEST CASE.

PROTECTING THE REVENUE

London, June 13.

"Chequelets," the innovation introduced by the Midland Bank, are likely to be permanently dropped, in view of a statement just published.

Mr. Winston Churchill, in the statement, says that the Midland Bank orally enquired at Somerset House some weeks ago whether such documents were liable for stamp duty.

An official, who did not fully appreciate the large departure from standard banking policy contemplated, replied in the negative.

The higher authorities did not hear of the proposal until the announcements appeared in the Press, when it was immediately seen that revenue would be substantially affected.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer sought, and Government adopted legal advice which stated that such receipts were taxable as bills of exchange within the meaning of Section 52 of the Stamp Act, 1891.

A test action will be immediately instituted. The Midland has voluntarily stopped the issue of the new receipts.

Mr. Churchill adds that the parties concerned acted in good faith.

Earlier messages stated:—London, June 3.—The innovation of the Midland Bank in supplying customers with books of unstamped receipt forms, dubbed chequelets, replacing cheques for sums of under forty shillings, was mentioned in the House of Commons. The bank declared that the revenue authorities did not object, but Mr. Winston Churchill, when questioned, said he was by no means sure of the legal aspect. He declared that the matter involved a number of questions of public interest. He was consulting counsel regarding the liability of the chequelets to stamp duty. Mr. Garro Jones pointed out that many banks were inaugurating the system which was spreading rapidly. The Chancellor stated he had instructed the Treasury officials to place themselves in communication with the representatives of the banks. He added that the consequences of the proposal would be unsatisfactory from the viewpoint of the year's revenue.

London, June 9.—The Midland Bank has suspended chequelets until Mr. Winston Churchill has made a fresh statement clarifying the position.]

POLO ACCIDENT.

ARMY OFFICER'S PONY ROLLS OVER HIM.

During a polo match between Mr. Batterly of the Royal Horse Artillery and a Roehampton team at the Roehampton Club, Captain C. I. McKay, M.C., was thrown from his pony.

One of the officers of the battery (which is stationed at St. John's Wood, N.W.) told a reporter that Captain McKay's pony swerved to the right and apparently its fore-legs became entangled with the hind-legs of another pony. The officer said:—

"The pony rolled right over Captain McKay, and we feared at first that his neck might be broken. On examination, however, it was found that no bones were broken. Captain McKay is now conscious, and, though he complains of severe pain in the neck, is going along well."

Earl Beatty was a member of the Roehampton side in the match.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

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do. (new) 514 n

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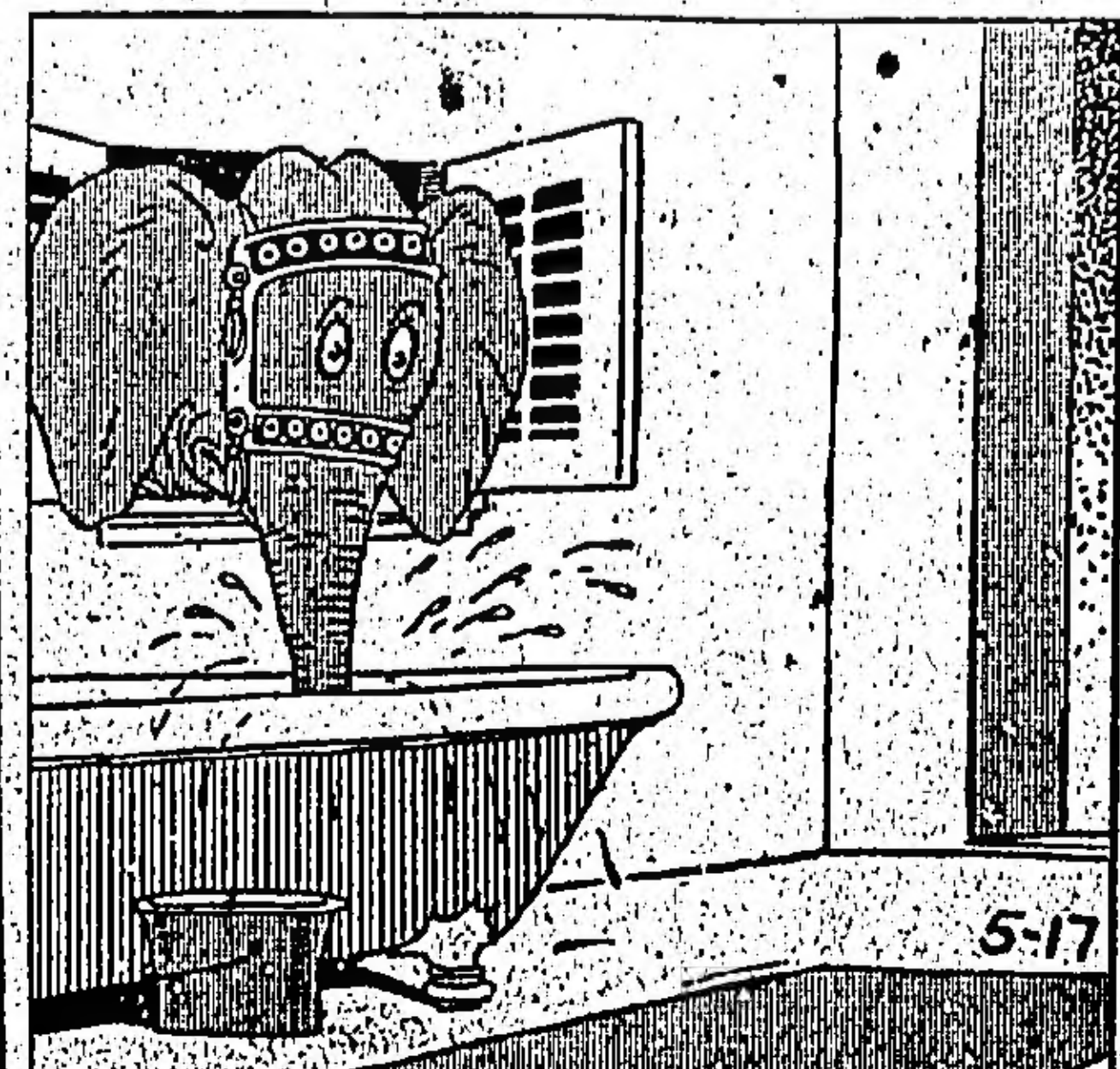
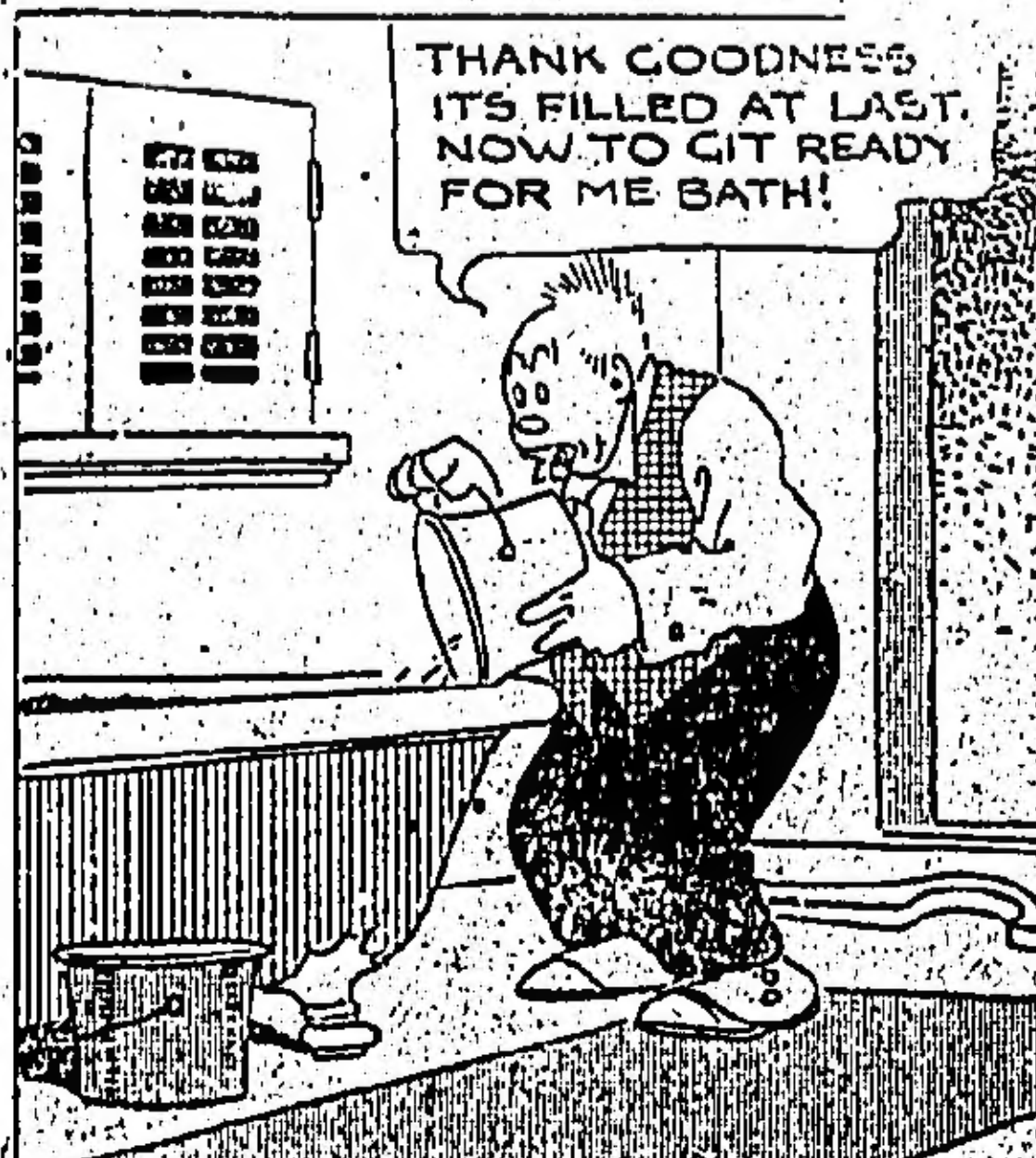
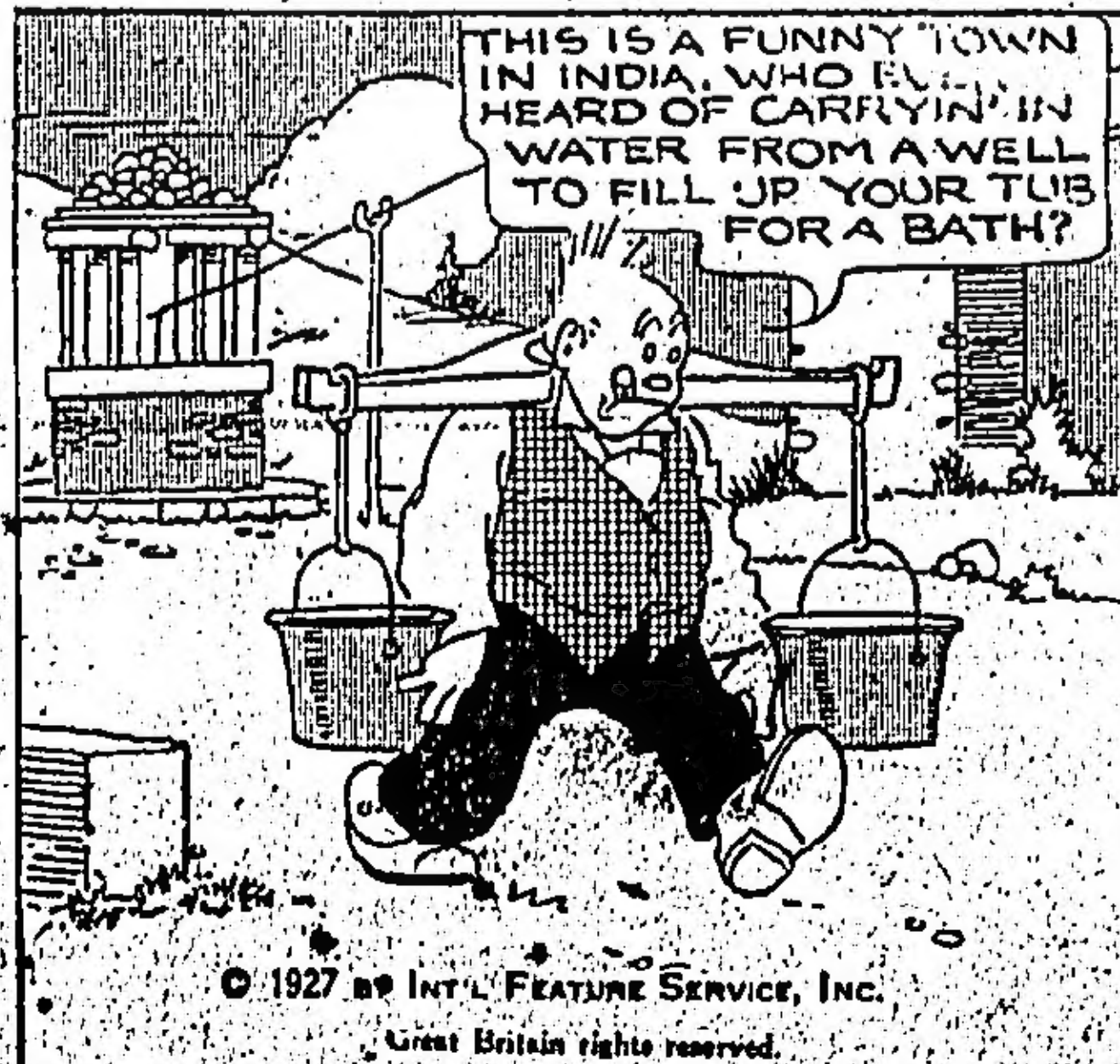
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THE WORLD OF BOOKS

"TROLLOPE."

GENIUS OF ENGLISH
NOVELIST.

The "best seller," outside fiction, is Mr. Michael Sadleir's "Trollope: A Commentary," if we may judge from the attention it has already received in the periodical Press. Mr. J. L. Garvin made it the subject of his leading article in the "Observer," and Sir Edmund Gosse wrote two columns about it in the "Sunday Times." Mr. Sadleir's biography is evidently the final book on the subject, and it will do much to revive interest in a writer whose work has lately been greatly under-estimated.

In the "Daily News" Mr. Robert Lynd predicts that it will make present-day English readers realise how foolish is their tendency "to hail as a star any flickering candle of talent simply because it bears a French or Russian name," showing, as it does, that "Trollope though not among the greatest of English novelists, has undoubtedly more genius, both as entertainer and painter of manners and character, than nine-tenths of the Continental novelists who have been landed as men of genius in our time." The chief reason for the modern indifference to Trollope is the revelation in his posthumous "Autobiography" that he worked steadily to a time-table and did not believe in inspiration.

Sir Edmund Gosse points out, however, that the world has made a mistake in taking this modesty at its face value. In writing his Barsetshire novels—what Mr. Galsworthy might call "The Barset Saga"—he showed no trace of a commercial attitude to literature. He spent a year and a half in composing "Barsetshire Towers," and it was not until he succumbed to the fatal temptation of serialising his stories that the machine-made system of 1,000 words an hour after day and week after week seized hold of him.

Mr. Sadleir's book has been, for several years in preparation, and is enriched by the results of research among many letters and documents, in the possession of the Trollope family, that have not previously been available. Its introductory account of the career of that extraordinary woman, Anthony Trollope's mother, is one of the most fascinating sections of the narrative, and goes a long way to explain the distinctive characteristics of her son.

A Tragic Career.

We are reminded of a novelist of a very different type by the publication of "The Letters of George Gissing to Members of his Family." There was a curious similarity between Trollope and Gissing in the poverty and lack of public appreciation which made their early years a hard struggle, but the younger man was dogged throughout his too brief life by an ultra-sensitiveness and aloofness from his fellows which reflected itself in the pessimism of his writings. He suffered all his days from what would now be called an inferiority complex. There is reason to believe that, if he had lived longer, he could have grown away from his earlier self and achieved a serenity comparable to Trollope's. Evidences of this change of mood may be seen in "The Private Papers of Henry Ryecroft," a book which will probably be read when "The New Grub Street" is forgotten. We learn from this new publication that he was contemplating, when he died, another book on the same lines. The general impression of Gissing's temperament left by the letters themselves is confirmed by an appendix giving some reminiscences of his sister. She tells us that a note of depression was the most strongly marked of all his characteristics. "One always felt," she says, "that his enjoyment and the eagerness which he threw into all that interested him, would be followed, as they always were, by a sinking of spirit." Gissing's career was, indeed, one of the tragedies of the literary calling.

An Australian professor, Dr. Griffith Taylor of Sydney, has completed a volume of "Environment and Race," which will not only survey the effect of climate and physical environment on past history, but will forecast the direction of future national migrations caused by the congestion of population.

POPULAR REPRINT.

GO FAR AND FARE
WELL.

"The reprint," writes James Milne, "the cheap edition, the pocket-edition, are not inventions of to-day, although the recent development might almost be described as a new and greater birth. The idea behind them, that of cheap books which shall go far and fare well, can be traced back to the time of a scholarly Venetian, Aldus Manutius. Go to the British Museum and ask for a copy, which is there of his "Virgil." It will show you what he, and other book makers of his time, could produce for something like a florin, of our money. Printing was a primitive art when Aldus Manutius lived, but books, including cheap books for the masses, have always had a good habit of being possible.

"Naturally our Venetian used an italic type, and in fact he is supposed to be its inventor, and, thinking it hard to read, we should not use it today except for foreign words or to emphasise a passage in English. But what does the type matter in a book revolution? And certainly Aldus Manutius was a scholarly revolutionary, who challenged the old world with a literary venture which has grown into the tremendous reprint of our world and generation.

"If you are informed in the lore of books, and it is a pleasant land in which to browse, you will have heard of the Elzevirs, the Etiennees, and others who came after Aldus Manutius in the same field of bookish exploration. An English token to him has been an "Aldine Edition" of our poets, and would not that have pleased the old fellow? Mostly, a good bookman has a sweet vanity which likes to be recognised, probably Aldus Manutius had his share of this charm—because it is a charm."

THE NABOBS.

STUDY OF THE ANGLO-
INDIAN.

Among Indian words that have become current in Britain with a new application none is more curious than "Nabob," a corruption of "Nawab," a Hindu term for Mohammedan officials and governors under the Mogul Empire. It is not, however, of native Orientalists that we think when we speak of Nabobs, but of Westerners who have acquired a fortune in the East and have returned home to spend it with considerable magnificence and ostentation. One rarely hears the word applied nowadays to any of our contemporaries. Perhaps there has been less opportunity for its use, since the South African millionaire has ousted the Anglo-Indian from his pre-eminence. It was during the eighteenth century that the Nabobs cut the biggest figure. The popular conception of their character and power is no doubt mainly derived from Lord Macaulay's picturesque description of them in his essay of Lord Clive.

A recent book, "The Nabobs in England," by Mr. J. M. Holman, which has for its sub-title "A Study of the Returned Anglo-Indian, 1760-1785," has established some conclusions that differ considerably from Macaulay's. Its author shows that the wealth of this class has been greatly exaggerated, and that the belief in its inordinate Parliamentary influence also owes more to imagination than to fact. Mr. Holman gives interesting particulars of the houses built by leading Nabobs when they came home to lead the life of rural magnates. For some reason or other, Berkshire was their favourite county, so much so that it was sometimes called "the English Hindustan."

A new romance that is much talked about is "Jew Suss," by Lion Feuchtwanger, translated by Willa and Edwin Muir. It has its background in the nineteenth century Germany as its background.

E. Sylvia Pankhurst's "India and the Earthly Paradise" is a criticism of the social, economic and administrative systems of India, ancient and modern, from the Communist's standpoint.

GIRL NOVELIST.

FIRST BOOK PUBLISHED AT
HOME.

A 17-years-old Leeds girl, the authoress of three novels, has had her first book published by the London publishing house of Alston, Rivers, Ltd.

She is Miss Nancy Roper, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Roper, of Bramley, and the book which she has had accepted is a dramatic novel entitled "Dionys."

At 17 Miss Roper has developed something of the methods and technique of the professional novelist, she is entirely self-educated. Because of a serious illness she was never able to attend school, excepting for a few weeks when she was 5 years old.

"I have been writing almost ever since I could hold a pen," Miss Roper said. At 7, I wrote a doggerel poem. Next year I wrote a story about a squirrel and three rabbits, and after that I kept at it. "Dionys" is my third book, I finished it about April.

"This book is just pure romance, and the setting is in Norway. I have the theme of another book in my head already, and this will be a novel of the Yorkshire Wolds, which I hope to have finished by the autumn."

Miss Roper has read very few modern authors, but she has read Shakespeare and the Brontës, and much poetry, including the works of Shelley, Keats and Milton.

"If I do too much reading," she said, "I feel to be wasting time." Miss Roper shows originality in prevailing for her readers in her book, not a "sheik" hero, but a "cave" type of heroine. Sere Loversal, who is a wanderer in the strange place of the world, feels the pull of the Arctic North, and there he discovers an unsophisticated girl, whom he mistakes for a boy.

The conflict between the temperaments of the man who has always lived in the sunshine of the South, and the girl who knows no land but the North, forms the theme of the book.

MODERN BOOKSELLING.

Mr. John Buchan, M.P., President of the National Book Trade Provident Society, occupied the chair at a dinner to commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organisation. The proceedings took place at Holborn Restaurant, over 300 guests being present. The Duchess of Athol, Dean Inge, Lord Riddell, and Sir Henry Newbolt were the chief guests.

The Chairman, responding to "The Society," proposed by Mr. H. R. Brabrook, said that they had now started a fully-equipped provident society, a benefit society, so that whatever profits were made they would go to their members. (Hear, hear.) It seemed the trade and profession of bookselling was beginning to change its status altogether for the better. He was inclined to think that bookselling was becoming a learned profession, and if it did they would find the book-seller not merely selling books, but guiding and directing his customers' tastes, helping a man in his researches, and being a most valuable medium for the interpretation of good literature for the public. (Hear, hear.)

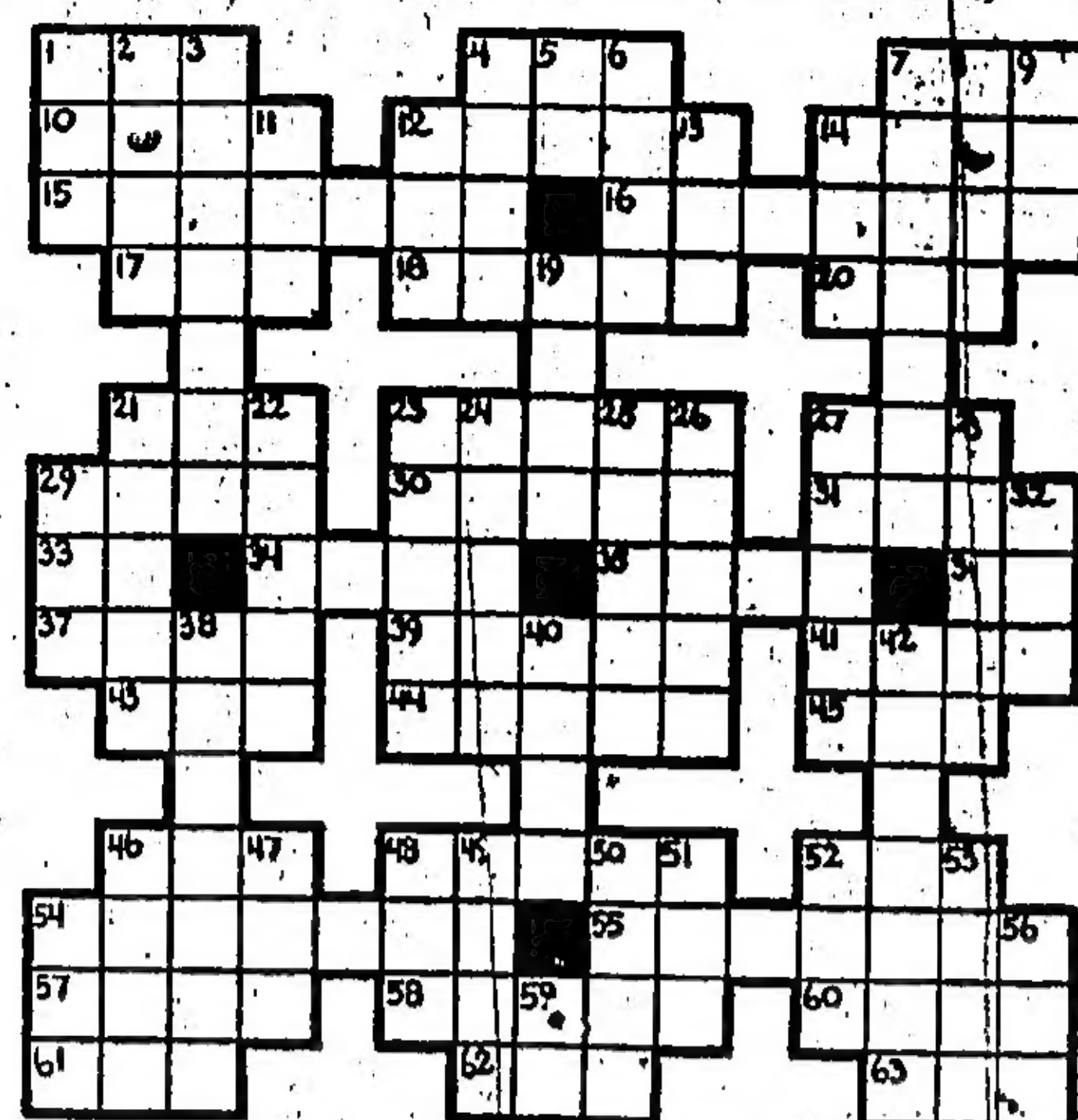
Dean Inge submitted "The Press." He said the modern book-seller was usually well-read. The days were gone when the young lady at the bookshop asked for Browning's "Ring and the Book," and the bookseller replied, "No, miss, we don't stock betting literature." (Laughter.) He thought more profit could be derived by reading than by listening to lectures and broadcasting.

Lord Riddell responded. Other toasts were "Books and the Future of Education," proposed by Mr. J. G. Wilson, and replied to by the Duchess of Athol, and "The Guests," submitted by Mr. F. A. Denny, and responded to by Sir Henry Newbolt.

Dr. J. Newton Friend's "Iron in Antiquity" should appeal to anthropologists as well as metallurgists. It mentions several interesting religious beliefs and superstitions attaching to iron, including the avoidance of its use for ceremonial purposes and the attribution of a magical character to the smith.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and alto.)



HORIZONTAL

1-Cut short
4-Work animal
7-Dine
10-To merit
12-Once more
14-Tranquillity
15-Respect of N. E.
16-Marine crustacean
17-Point of compass (abbr.)
18-Preparation for publication
20-Title
21-Adjust
22-Water vapor
23-Suffix. Like
25-Assess
30-City of Florida
31-Depute
32-Prefix. Form of "in"
34-The lowestebb tide
35-Bounds
36-Musical note
37-Move swiftly
39-Malicious glances
41-Exercised
43-Prefix. Apart
44-Pub cut

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

45-Origin of head
46-Liaise
48-A biting joint
52-Swift river
54-Affirm
55-Part of face
57-Ring
58-Magiflorent
60-Hip silk hat (abbr.)
61-A cop
62-The (French)
63-A beverage

VERTICAL

1-Wage
2-Rowing implements
3-Bread of an animal
4-Grow old
5-A colliery (abbr.)
6-Fine earth deposited by water
7-Grate to the utmost
8-One to use
9-Profess
11-Late made
12-Greek goddess of malice mischief
13-Numb (abbr.)
14-Suffix to form feminine nouns
15-To make a rope of
16-A dinner course
17-Cave shelters
18-Trite
19-Small candle
20-Mimickers
21-Parasite
22-To go out
23-To go in
24-To clear of
25-Agitated on the surface, as water
26-Compass direction
27-A city of Palestine (Bib.)
28-To the lee side
29-Combining form
30-Fac
31-Human beings
32-Image
33-Elongated fish (pl.)
34-Cereal grass
35-About (abbr.)
36-Engrave
37-A month (abbr.)
38-Tiny
39-Exit

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new crossword puzzle.)

SCANDINAVIAN.

Knut Hamsun, the famous Scandinavian writer, was not known here until we got his novel "The Growth of the Soil." Since then we have had various rich of his pen, and now Mr. Alfred Knopf announces "Mysteries" meaning the mysteries which are inherent in all human relationships. Do we, for example, really know or understand our neighbours or those we love? Hamsun sets the stage for a long series of perplexing events, around a hero who appears, following the suicide of a young divinity student in a Norwegian town.

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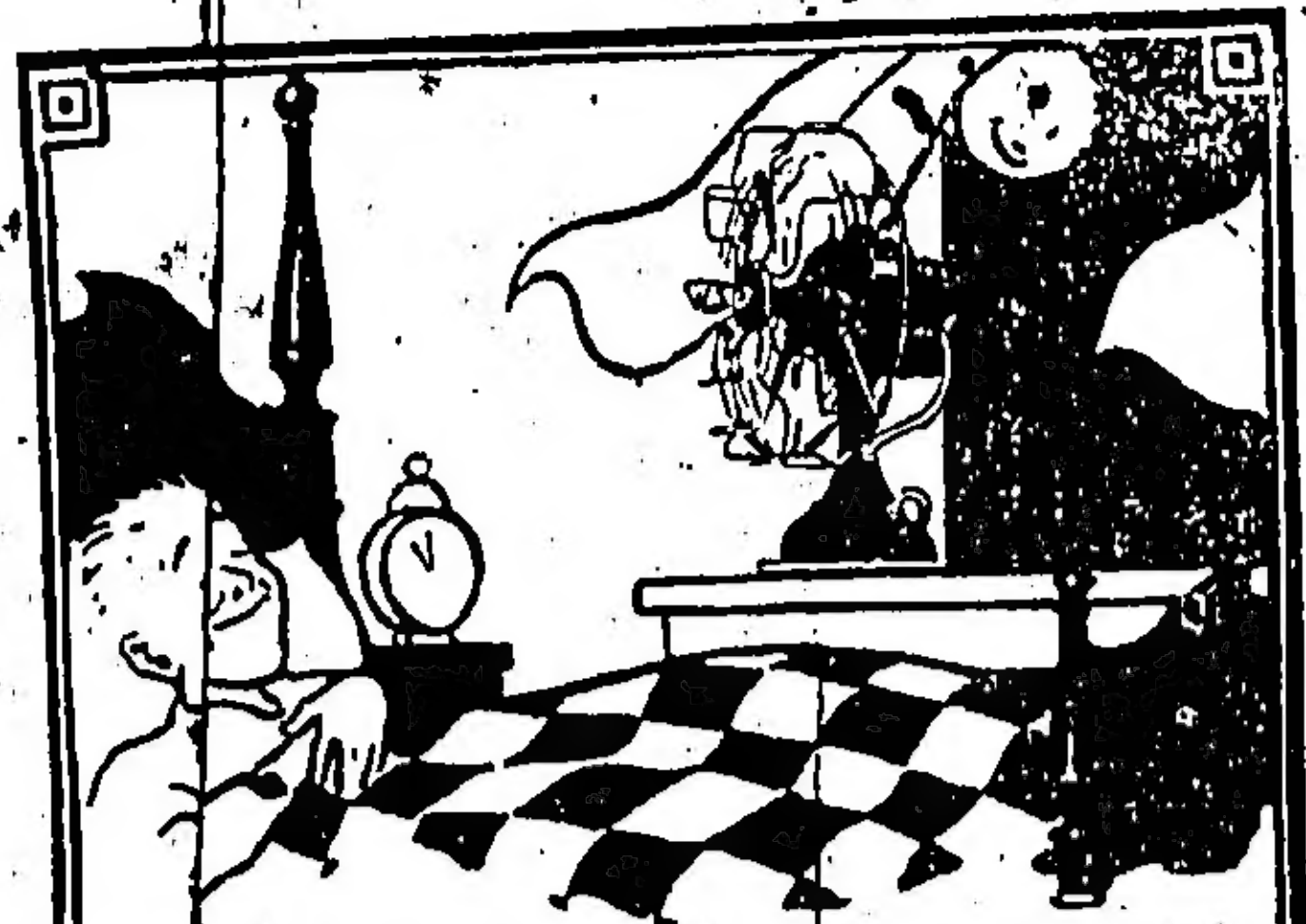
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A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE.

Indiscriminate fighting on the various fronts in China has ceased for the time being. All eyes are turned to General Chiang Kai-shek who, with Yu-hsiang, is preparing to attack the "Reds." These generals have formed an alliance for this purpose, and the former has issued his ultimatum to Hankow. So far the Communists have not replied, but a big move is expected in a day or two. All the movements leading up to this momentous situation are set forth in this week's "Overland Mail."

Shanghai for the time being has dropped out of the picture. Interest is centred here in the north of the country, noticeably around Tientsin and Peking. Here important steps regarding fortification are being taken, and full details of these and latest troop movements are given in the "Overland."

This week's issue also contains a resume of the new Hong Kong Government measures to protect the inhabitants of the Colony against illegal strikes. "Never again," says the Government, with its mind on the last affair. Read about the Ordinance in the "Overland."

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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

Princess Mary took the salute at a march past of 1,800 Lincolnshire Girl Guides at Hartsholme Hall, Lincoln.

Mr. Thomas Johnson, K.C., a former Attorney-General of Manitoba, and a native of Iceland, has died at Winnipeg, aged 57.

A new county school for girls, which cost \$35,000, was opened at Reigate, Surrey, by Lord Eustace Percy, President of the Board of Education.

Fifty German miners have been dismissed from a mine at Buer, Westphalia, as they did not work hard enough and their output was unsatisfactory.

A cordial welcome was given to the new Italian Ambassador, Baron A. Chiaramonte Bordonaro by the "Friends of Italy" at a meeting in the Wigmore Hall, W.

King Faisal of Mesopotamia chartered the entire accommodation of the Imperial Airways aeroplane "City of Cairo" for his return journey from Basra to Baghdad.

The grandstand at Scarborough football ground was burned down by a fire seen by large numbers of motorists passing along Seamer Road, the main road between Scarborough and York.

Jewellery valued at \$300 has been stolen from the house of Councillor H. Jerram of Ranciliff Road East Ham, E., thieves, it is supposed, having entered the house while Mr. and Mrs. Jerram were away.

The woman describing herself as Princess Nadine de Charrow left Liverpool in the White Star liner "Cedric," by which vessel she arrived a week before when she was refused permission to enter England.

The Mayor and Corporation of Hastings and St. Leonards entertained the Mayor and Corporation of Eastbourne and after an inspection of the municipal activities, games of golf and bowls were played.

Signor Mussolini, when informed that a workman was too poor to pay a fine of 25 imposed on him, in addition to imprisonment, for uttering insults against the Premier, sent a cheque for the amount of the fine.

More than 50 persons walked out of St. Cuthbert's Church, Darwen, Lancashire, during the morning service as a protest against the choral Eucharist.

Woolwich and district fire brigades attended a fire that broke out in the heavy turnery department at Woolwich Arsenal and put out the flames in a few minutes.

For the fourteenth time this year there was an outbreak of fire at Holmwood Common, near Dorking, in mail week, when two hours were spent in putting out the flames.

So that the White Star liner "Albertic" (19,000 tons), which has arrived at Liverpool from Canada, could proceed under Quebec bridge the masts were cut down by 37ft. and also made telescopic.

Before the funeral at Cowes of Miss Frances Loyd, daughter of the late Colonel E. Loyd, who was interested in missions to seamen, a memorial service was conducted on the lightship "Calshot" in the Solent.

Further attempts were made at Oxted, Surrey, to obtain gramophone records of the song of the nightingale, and in the afternoon a bird near the microphone sang until a double-sided record had been made.

When the Prince of Wales visited Lincoln to open the Usher Art Gallery, the train by which he travelled was escorted by aeroplanes from Grantham to Lincoln—a distance 25 miles.

Nearly 200 persons, chiefly women, were baptised at a public service in a Glasgow public baths following the recent revival campaign of Pastor Jeffreys.

About \$20 was stolen from the safe in the offices of Messrs. Warren and Co. (Regent Street), Ltd., Oxendon Street, Haymarket, S.W., which were broken into during a week-end.

A marriage has been arranged to take place at the Strand Register Office between Mr. Albert de Courville, the revue producer, and Miss Edith Kelly Gould, formerly the wife of Mr. Frank Jay Gould, the American millionaire.

Mr. Richard Storry-Deans, M.P., Mr. Augustus Andrews, Uthwatt, and Mr. Malcolm Hilbery have been elected Benchers of Gray's Inn.

The 83 girls employed as nut-crackers by the London Nut Food Co., Battersea, S.W., who went on strike for better wages and conditions, are to return to work without increase of pay.

The London Fire Brigade Committee recommend the County Council to oppose a proposal to alter the by-laws of the Port of London Authority so that petrol-carrying vessels could approach to within 5 miles of the county boundary.

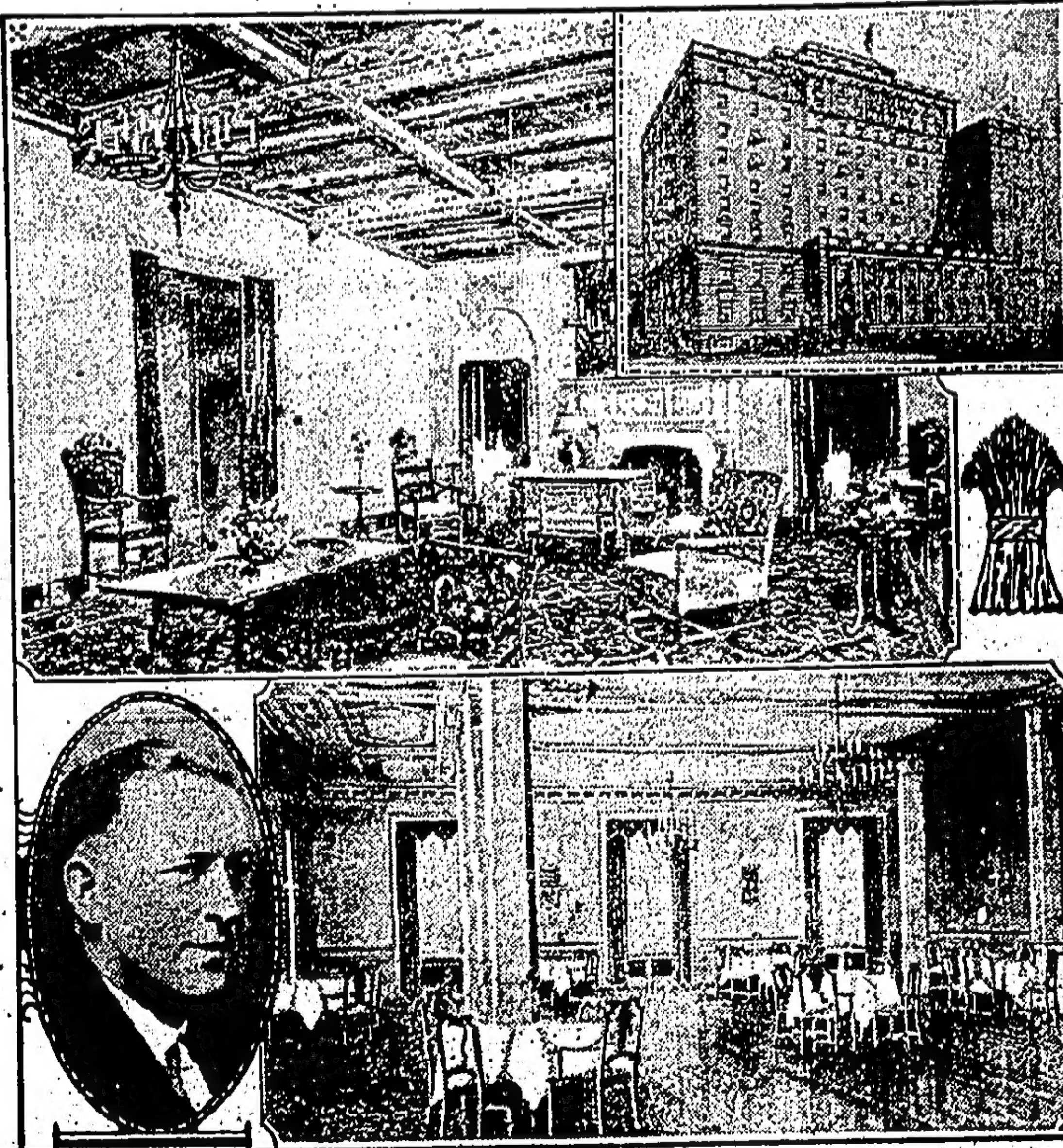
During a cricket match at Alburgh, Liverpool, between the Elder Dempster and Northern Cricket Clubs, some of the players had their money stolen from the dressing-room and had to borrow the amount of their fares home.

Lord Malmesbury and his youngest brother, Col. the Hon. Alfred Harris, returned to England from France, where they attended the funeral of the earl's twin brother, the Hon. Alexander Charles Harris, 54, of Amyard Lodge, Bournemouth.

De Valera has lost his battle for the \$500,000 subscribed largely by Irish-Americans during his bond-selling campaign seven years ago, says a "Central News" (New York) correspondent. In the Supreme Court on May 11 Justice Peters ordered that the \$500,000 should be returned to the bondholders, less legal expenses.

The conditions under which telephone girls work was criticised on May 12 at the annual Conference of Post Office workers at Great Yarmouth. Mr. Owen, of Manchester, said conditions in the Bournemouth Exchange were deplorable, and in other exchanges girls were breaking down. If details were given the Conference would be staggered.

Colonel J. V. Campbell, the "Tally Ho" V.C., unveiled the Darlaston, Staffs., War Memorial in the presence of thousands of persons. The dedication service was performed by the Bishop of Stafford. Four loud speakers erected round the memorial and a microphone placed just in front of the speakers enabled everyone present to hear the service perfectly.



Upper—Exterior of the new hotel. Lower—The Dining Room is of Italian design. Insets—The new Hotel Saskatchewan and V. E. Charter, the manager.

One of the most beautiful buildings in Western Canada is the "Hotel Saskatchewan," Regina's new hotel, which was officially opened by E. W. Bentley, President of the Canadian Pacific, on May 24. In it the architects have sought to provide the maximum of convenience and comfort for its guests and to obtain the most pleasing architectural effect.

Regina's need for a new hotel has been felt keenly for some time, as the city's importance as capital of the province which furnishes 50 per cent. of the Dominion's wheat output, has been steadily increasing. The erection of a hotel in Regina was interrupted by the war, and the removal of the old steel structure less than a year ago, marked the first step towards the realization of Regina's dream of a new modern hotel, which at last has been brought about through the enterprise of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Pleasing artistic effects have been achieved throughout the interior of the building. The public rooms, which are numerous and spacious, each have a character of their own. The Tea Room and Ro-

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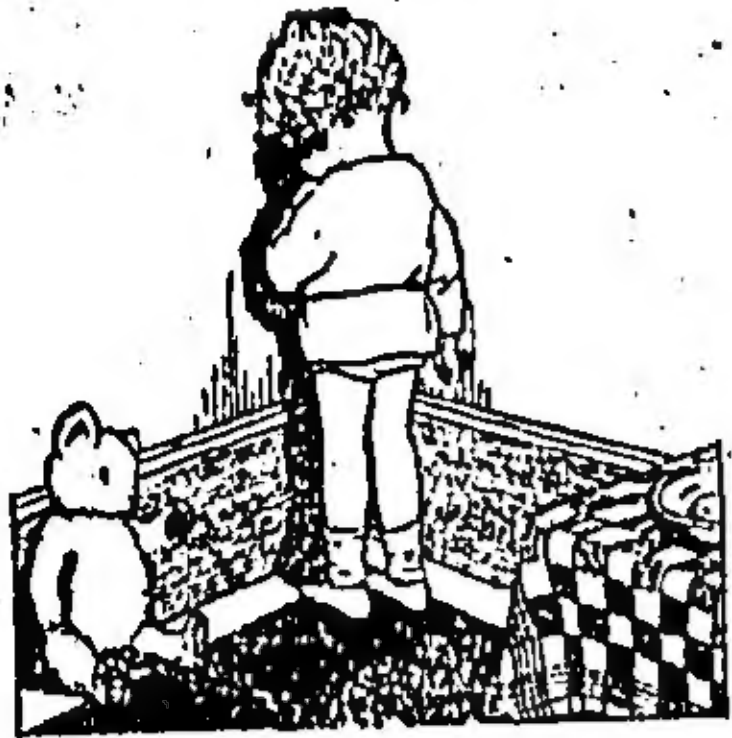
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INWARD MAILS.

From	THURSDAY, JUNE 30	Per
Europe via Negapatam (letters only, London, 2nd June)	Tilawa.	1
Japan, Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	Fushimi Maru.	3
Manila	Pres. Jefferson.	3
Europe via Negapatam papers only London, 2nd June	Laisang.	4
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Grant.	4
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Van Buren.	4
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Japan & Shanghai	Porthos.	5
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For	THURSDAY, JUNE 30	Per
Saigon	Telemachus	3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Vogtland	3.30 p.m.
Siam Sui & Wuchow	Tai Ming	4.30 p.m.
Manila	Agapenor	5 p.m.
Haiphong	Song Bo	5 p.m.
Manila, Sandakan, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island due Thursday Island 16th July. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (1st July) 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	St. Albans.	1
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Deli Maru	8.30 a.m.
Amoy	Tilawa	9 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, L. Marques, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 1st August. G.P.O.—Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. Kowloon P.O.—Registration 8 a.m. Letters 9 a.m.	Fushimi Maru.	2
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via Victoria B.C.—due Victoria B.C. 25th July. Parcels 9 a.m. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Achilles.	10.30 a.m.
Manila	Wheatland Montana	11.30 a.m.
Saigon	Tillwong	11.30 a.m.
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	Szechuen	2.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Hai Ning	5 p.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	Hozan Maru	9 a.m.
	Kilgan	9 a.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

TROD ON A MAN.

A "Horrid Shock" For An Amah.

SERVANTS' QUARTERS SCUFFLE.

Found in the servants' quarters of Mr. T. Grimshaw's house, No. 8 Stanley Terrace, at 3 o'clock yesterday morning, a Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell.

The cook said he was lying awake on his bed when he heard footsteps on the balcony outside his room door. He switched on his electric light and saw the accused crawling out of the witness's room towards the room next door which was occupied by the amah. The witness went downstairs and summoned the assistance of another man.

The Magistrate had considerable difficulty in discovering who that man was, and when eventually the witness said he was "just a friend."

MARSHAL FOCH.

To Be Honoured By Oxford University.

Rugby, June 29.—Marshal Foch, who will receive an honorary degree at Oxford University on Friday, arrived London from Paris to-day, and was met by Field Marshal Lord Haig.—British Wireless Service.

his Worship remarked "Probably he was sleeping there without the knowledge of your master, and that is why you hesitate to say who he was."

A Brave Fellow.

Proceeding, the cook said when he returned upstairs he called out to the amah to switch on her light. Instead she rushed out calling out "Thief." The accused followed the amah out of her room. The witness and his friend grabbed the accused, but he broke loose and ran downstairs.

Mr. Lindsell: You are brave people, not to be able to secure one man between the two of you!—He was very strong!

The cook added that he and his friend chased the accused along the new road to the reservoir, but when they lost sight of the accused round a bend the witness decided to give up the chase because he was afraid of being taken by surprise.

Magistrate: You are a brave fellow! Concluding, the cook said that some time after his "retreat" the accused was brought in by a Chinese constable. The witness recognised the accused as the intruder because he saw his face clearly in the light while struggling with him.

The amah said that when the cook called out to her she got out of bed and while looking for her clogs planted a foot on a man's back.

Magistrate: Then you got a horrid shock and jumped out of the room screaming?—Yes.

The accused followed the witness out saying "Don't make a noise or I will kill you." When the accused broke away from the cook the witness blew a police whistle. She also recognised the accused because she had a good look at his face in the light.

The Choice of Friends.

A Chinese constable said he was attracted by the police whistle. He met the accused on the main road running hard with a crowd after him. When the accused saw witness he stopped and was immediately arrested.

Accused said a "boy" employed at No. 12 Stanley Terrace was his friend. As he (accused) was returning to the country that morning, he went to his friend just before sailing time to see if the latter had some money to take to relatives. It was while he was on his way to the friend that the constable arrested him.

This friend said accused was merely an acquaintance in the country, he did not know much about him, but he thought he would trust accused with money if he had any.

In convicting the accused, the Magistrate advised the witness to be more careful in his choice of friends in future.

Accused was sentenced to six weeks' jail.

WEATHER FORECAST.

"East winds, moderate; fair to showery" is the official weather forecast for the next 24 hours.

Pressure has increased slightly from north-east China to north-east Japan and from the Loochoos to Formosa. It is nearly stationary elsewhere.

An anticyclone is central to the north-east of Tokyo and a depression lies over Tongking.

SMALLER NAVIES.

Geneva Reports Further Progress.

BRITAIN'S PRACTICAL AIMS.

Rugby, June 29.—It is understood that appreciable progress has been made by the International Committee at the Geneva Naval Conference which yesterday discussed cruisers and to-day considered destroyers.

In regard to cruisers the British delegation have applied to the problem the principle they have advocated as a method of achieving mutual limitation.

That is they have stated what number of cruisers they want and why they want them.

Cruiser tonnage would remain to be fixed after the other delegations have considered the effect on their own fleet of the British proposal that apart from 10,000 ton and eight inch gun cruisers on which the 5-5-3 ratio should be maintained, other cruisers should not exceed 7,500 tons with six inch guns.

Commenting on the Conference, the "Times" says "Reduction in the size of battleships lengthening of the age of several classes of ships, acceptance of the Washington ratio for cruisers of 10,000 tons, while reducing the size of other cruisers and other auxiliary craft—these are the British proposals, which if agreement were reached upon them, would check the remaining suggestions of competition in naval armaments, and would result in a heavy reduction of naval expenditure all round."

The British object in the Conference is purely practical. The aim of President Coolidge's Conference is to devise the most effective means of limiting the naval armaments of the world. The British proposals are a considered contribution to that aim.—British Wireless Service.

SHIP ON REEF.

China Navigation Vessel to Rescue.

"FIGUIG" BREAKING RAPIDLY.

The French steel screw steamer "Figui" (3,714 tons gross, 1,756 net) is reported in a naval wireless message to have run upon a reef in Lat. 8.50 N. and Long. 112.15 E.

In response to wireless messages, the Blue Funnel steamship "Dolius" and the China Navigation steamship "Kiangsu" were, at the time of despatch of message, hastening to the distressed vessel's assistance.

The "Figui" was reported to be breaking up rapidly. The situation given in the message is between Cochin China and N.W. Borneo, and the reef in question is probably one of a dangerous group known as the London reefs.

The "Figui" which was on a voyage from Singapore to Manila is a French vessel registered at Bordeaux and was built in 1903. She is owned by the Transatlantique Company.

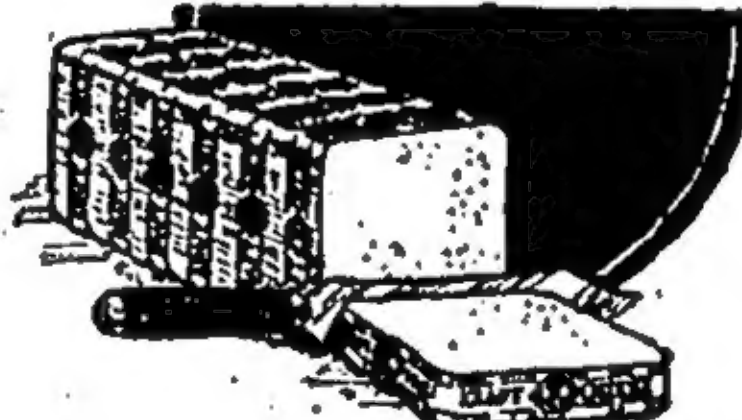
Japan's Reply.

Tokyo, June 29.—The Navy Minister, speaking to pressmen, stated that Japan would be willing to agree to capital ships not exceeding 30,000 tons, with a main armament not to exceed fourteen inch guns if Britain and America would agree.—Reuter.

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